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E.·.Sir BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, *Grand Recorder*

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RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

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OF THE

Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

AT ITS

One Hundred and Tenth Semi-Annual Conclave

MAY 11, 1916

THE ONE HUNDRED AND TENTH SEMI-ANNUAL CONCLAVE of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island was opened in Free Masons Hall, in the city of Providence, Rhode Island, on Thursday, May 11, A.D. 1916, A.O. 798, at eleven o'clock A.M.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

R.∴E.∴Sir FREDERICK I. DANA . . . . . Grand Commander
E.∴Sir WILLIAM H. EMERSON . . . . . Grand Generalissimo
E.∴Sir WILLIAM J. BOLTON . . . . . Grand Captain-General
E.∴Sir EVERETT C. BENTON . . . . . Grand Senior Warden
E.∴Sir HARRY G. POLLARD . . . . . Grand Junior Warden
E.∴Sir Rev. FRANCIS W. GIBBS . . . . . Grand Associate Prelate
R.∴E.∴Sir E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . . . . Grand Treasurer
E.∴Sir BENJAMIN W. ROWELL . . . . . Grand Recorder
Address 206 Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.
E.∴Sir HENRY C. DEXTER . . . . . Grand Standard Bearer
E.∴Sir ASA C. JEWETT . . . . . Grand Sword Bearer
E.∴Sir JOSEPH H. POTTER . . . . . Grand Warder
E.∴Sir CHARLES R. HUNT . . . . . Grand Captain of Guards
E.∴Sir JAMES S. BLAKE . . . . . }
E.∴Sir J. FRED PARKER . . . . . }
E.∴Sir WILLIAM A. SEWARD . . . . . } Grand Lecturers
E.∴Sir GEORGE W. KNOWLTON . . . . . }
E.∴Sir WILLIAM H. BEATTIE . . . . . }
E.∴Sir WILLIAM E. WILCOX . . . . . Grand Sentinel

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS PRESENT

R.·.E.·.Sir John P. Sanborn
R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young
R.·.E.·.Sir Walter W. Burnham
R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Johnson
R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle
R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding

The Grand Recorder reported that a constitutional number of Subordinates were represented by Sir Knights of Subordinate Commanderies, whereupon the Right Eminent Grand Commander proceeded to open the Grand Commandery in ample form, assisted by the other Grand officers and members present, the Sir Knights being led in their devotions by E.·.Sir Francis W. Gibbs, Assistant Grand Prelate, after which the Right Eminent Grand Commander declared the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island duly opened and ready for the despatch of business.

RECORDS OF THE ONE HUNDRED AND NINTH ANNUAL CONCLAVE

On motion the reading of the records of the Annual Conclave of 1915 was dispensed with, they having been printed and distributed, and they were approved as printed.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The Grand Warder having been instructed to retire and ascertain if there were in waiting any distinguished visitors, presently re-entered the asylum and reported that there was in waiting in an adjoining apartment R.·.E.·.Sir Alfred F. Littlefield, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maine.

Thereupon the Right Eminent Grand Commander appointed all the Past Grand Commanders present, with the Grand Generalissimo as Chairman, and an escort of all the Grand Officers, under command of the Grand Captain-General, and the committee having retired presently re-entered the asylum and presented R.·.E.·.Sir Alfred F. Littlefield, who was most cordially and graciously welcomed by the Right Eminent Grand Commander. Right Eminent Sir Littlefield responded most gracefully, expressing his pleasure at being present, and was

conducted into the east and the business of the conclave proceeded with.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander stated that he had forwarded to the Inspecting Officer appointed by the Grand Encampment of the United States, R.·.E.·.Sir Thomas J. Shryock, a special invitation to be present at this Semi-Annual Conclave, and had received in response to his invitation the following telegram:

Baltimore, Md., 11.40 a.m. May 8, 1916.

Frederick I. Dana,
Providence, R. I.

Many thanks for your kind invitation. Nothing would give me more pleasure than to be present with you, but it is quite impossible at this time.

Thomas J. Shryock.

LETTER OF REGRET

The Right Eminent Grand Commander then read the following letter, and it was ordered made a part of the record.

Sir B. W. Rowell, *Grand Recorder.*

To the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Eminent and Dear Sir Knights: I am in receipt of the notice of the Semi-Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. I regret to say that I will be unable to attend.

Please convey to the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and members of the Grand Commandery my heartiest congratulations for the success of their efforts in behalf of Knights Templar interests, and my sincere hope for the continued prosperity which they so richly deserve.

Sincerely yours,

Caleb Saunders,
Past Grand Commander.

SEMI-ANNUAL ADDRESS OF THE GRAND COMMANDER R.∴E.∴SIR FREDERICK I. DANA

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Thursday, May 11, 1916.

Sir Knights:

As Grand Commander I extend to the members of this Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island my courteous and cordial knightly greetings and a most hearty welcome to this One Hundred and Tenth Semi-Annual Conclave.

In accordance with the usual custom I submit to you a review of my administration for the past six months. Before doing so, however, let us render our thanks to the Almighty Father of the universe for the manifold blessings which have been vouchsafed to us as individuals and for the honor and glory of the magnanimous Order we represent and which we try to serve. May we ask of Him for this Christian brotherhood a continuance of those blessings and the speedy "advent of that glorious day when the reign of blessed Emmanuel, the Prince of Peace, the Grand Captain of our Salvation, shall become universal and eternal."

As Christian Knights we view with sorrow and humility the awful war now going on between the Christian nations of Europe, and the disgrace which in a measure has been brought to the name of "Christian," and we pray for the dawn of a brighter day. While we pray, however, let us gird on the armor of our strong belief and face the world with our strong conviction of the ultimate triumph of our belief in the universal brotherhood of mankind.

It is not for us to criticise the ways of divine Providence. It is ours only to be strong and constant in our faith. Continued

harmony and prosperity prevail in this jurisdiction and with our beloved country. The world needs us as never before. Let us be faithful to the confidence and trust imposed upon us.

NECROLOGY

The vision of death is before us at all times. It is a vision from which none can escape. From the mandate of death there is no release. Let us therefore pause at this time and render our tribute to those fraters who have passed along to what we believe to be a more glorious future, and fit ourselves by the influence of the virtues of their lives and examples the better to carry on the toil, labor, and burdens which our beloved Order imposes and which will add strength and manhood to our own characters. Only memories remain, but these teach us to exclaim, "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?"

GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR, U. S. A.

OFFICE OF THE ACTING GRAND MASTER

PITTSBURGH, PA., January 5, 1916.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, and to all Sir Knights of our Obedience:

It becomes my sorrowful duty to make announcement of the death of

VERY EMINENT SIR LAFAYETTE LYTTLE

Past Grand Captain-General of the Grand Encampment Knights Templar of the United States of America, which occurred at his home, in the city of Toledo, Ohio, on October 27, 1915. I was greatly shocked and grieved at the news announcing the death of this distinguished frater, for only two weeks before I had been a guest of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, which convened in Annual Conclave in his home city, and, while bearing

the burden of many years, he participated in the deliberations of the Grand Commandery, and performed his duties as Grand Treasurer with his usual activity and care.

Very Eminent Sir Lyttle was born in Watertown, Jefferson County, New York, on July 4, 1830, and at the time of his death was in the eighty-sixth year of his age.

He was a man of strong and pleasing personality, was a companionable and lovable man, and was ever affable, courteous, and kind. His conduct in life was dictated by the highest and most worthy motives, and he never wavered in the discharge of his duty or swerved from the course which his conscience told him was right.

He was made a Master Mason in Watertown Lodge, No. 49, F. and A. M., at Watertown, New York, June 21, 1865, and affiliated with Sanford Collins Lodge, No. 369, F. and A. M., of Toledo, Ohio, March 10, 1874.

He was exalted to the Sublime Degree of Royal Arch Mason in Watertown Chapter, R. A. M., on December 30, 1865, and affiliated with Fort Meigs Chapter, No. 29, R. A. M., of Toledo, Ohio, on October 2, 1882.

He became a member of Ohio Grand Council of Anointed High Priests on September 28, 1898, and for several years served as Grand Chaplain of that Order. He received the degrees of Royal and Select Master in Toledo Council, No. 33, R. and S. M., on April 10, 1910.

He was dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Watertown Commandery, No. 11, Knights Templar, at Watertown, New York, on January 5, 1866, and affiliated with Toledo Commandery, No. 7, Knights Templar, on November 6, 1869, serving as its Eminent Commander in 1874 and 1875.

He served as Grand Captain-General of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, in the years 1874, 1875, and 1876: as Deputy Grand Commander in 1885, and as Grand Commander in 1886. In 1901 he was elected Grand Treasurer of the Grand Commandery and held that office continuously until his death. He was the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of

New York, near the Grand Commandery of Ohio, from 1888 until his death.

In the Grand Encampment he was elected Grand Captain-General in 1877, and served three years. He was also quite active in the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, and became an honorary member of the Supreme Council of that Rite for the Northern Masonic Jurisdictions of the United States of America, receiving the thirty-third degree on September 18, 1888.

Being unable to be present in person, I requested R.∴E.∴Sir Frederick L. Geddes, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Ohio, to represent the Grand Encampment at the funeral. Right Eminent Sir Geddes has reported to me that the remains lay in state in the asylum of the Masonic Temple from 10.30 A.M. until 2 P.M. on the day of the funeral, and were viewed by a large number of Masons and friends; that the services were very impressive, and included the burial services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Rev. George Gunnell, rector of Trinity Church, officiating; of the Orders of Masonic Knighthood, conducted by the Grand Commandery of Ohio, and of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, conducted by the Toledo Scottish Rite Bodies, after which the remains were escorted to the place of burial in Woodlawn Cemetery by the several Masonic bodies, followed by a large concourse of people.

It is herewith ordered that this memorial be read at the next regular conclave of each Grand Commandery after its receipt, and also at the next regular conclave of each Subordinate Commandery directly allegiant to the Grand Encampment, and that the standard of the Order be suitably draped for a period of sixty days.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, this fifth day of January, A.D. 1916, A.O. 798.

LEE S. SMITH,
Acting Grand Master.

ATTEST:

FRANK H. JOHNSON,
Grand Recorder.

[SEAL]

Eminent Sir THOMAS BEVINGTON, Past Commander of Bethany Commandery, was born February 9, 1847, at Manchester, England, and died October 28, 1915, at Lawrence, Massachusetts.

Made a Master Mason in Tuscan Lodge November 23, 1896. Worshipful Master of Tuscan Lodge 1900–1901. Exalted in Mt. Sinai R. A. Chapter, January 21, 1897. High Priest of Mt. Sinai R. A. Chapter, 1909–1910. Super-Excellent degree in Lawrence Council, March 10, 1897. T. I. Master Lawrence Council, 1905–1906. Knighted in Bethany Commandery, K. T., April 27, 1897. Eminent Commander Bethany Commandery, K. T., 1907–1908. Honorary thirty-third degree A. A. S. R.

He was an untiring Lodge worker and took an active interest in Freemasonry, being a 33d degree Mason. For a number of years he was warden of St. John's Episcopal Church and a lay reader at the time of his death. He was a member of Lawrence Encampment No. 31, I. O. O. F. On Monday evening, October 18th, the fortieth anniversary of the first meeting held in Odd Fellows building was observed, and the deceased acted as Noble Grand, a position he held more than forty-five years.

Eminent Sir JOHN GEORGE THOROGOOD, charter member and Past Commander of Cambridge Commandery, No. 42, Knight Templars, of Cambridge, Massachusetts, died quite suddenly, of heart disease, at his residence in Bedford, Massachusetts, November 23, 1915.

Eminent Sir Thorogood was born in Halifax, Nova Scotia, July 13, 1842, and came to this country as a boy, and when quite young entered the employ of the Riverside Press at Cambridge, and took up his residence in that city, where he resided until a few years ago, when he moved to Bedford, Massachusetts.

On July 16, 1864, he enlisted in Company E, 60th Massachusetts Infantry, as a private, and was discharged as a corporal, November 13, 1864.

On his return to Cambridge he started in business for himself, but gave up after a few months, going back to the Riverside Press. In 1871 he was made superintendent of the press room, which position he held until 1915, when he was retired on account of ill health, after a service of more than fifty years.

Eminent Sir Thorogood was a member of the Cambridge Common Council in 1882 and 1883, and of the Board of Aldermen in 1893 and 1894, the last year serving as president of the Board.

He was a member of John A. Logan Post 186, G.A.R.

He was twice married. A wife and two sons survive him.

Eminent Sir Thorogood was raised a Master Mason in Mizpah Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Cambridge, Mass., June 10, 1872, and became a member September 9, 1872. After serving as Senior Steward, Junior and Senior Deacon, and Junior and Senior Warden, he was elected Worshipful Master, and served as such in 1882 and 1883. He was a director of Masonic Hall Association from 1883 to 1901 inclusive. Exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Cambridge Royal Arch Chapter June 11, 1880, and was High Priest of the Chapter in 1887 and 1888.

He received the cryptic degrees in Boston Council of Royal and Select Masters, March 27, 1884, and was Thrice Illustrious Master in 1892. Dubbed and created a Knight Templar in Cambridge Commandery of Knights Templars, U. D., September 3, 1890. Knight of Malta, and became a member December 10, 1890, and a charter member upon its constitution January 7, 1891, and was Eminent Commander in 1897–1898.

In the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite he received the ineffable degrees in Boston Lodge of Perfection January 25, 1886, and was Thrice Potent Master from January 29, 1894, to February 1, 1895, when Boston Lodge was consolidated with Lafayette Lodge of Perfection.

He received the historical and traditional grades in Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem; the philosophical and Christian grades in Mt. Olivet Chapter of Rose Croix, both of Boston.

The thirty-second grade was conferred on him by Massachusetts Consistory February 27, 1891.

His funeral was held in the Cambridge Masonic Temple, Saturday, November 27, 1915. The burial was in Cambridge Cemetery. Mizpah Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Cambridge, and of which he was the oldest living Past Master at the time of his death, rendered the burial service.

Eminent Sir JOHN H. STUDLEY, Jr., Past Commander of Cœur de Lion Commandery, was born June 27, 1852, in Charlestown, Massachusetts, and died December 5, 1915, at Malden, Massachusetts.

Our deceased frater held many official positions of trust and financial responsibility in the various street railroad corporations which succeeded each other in the building up of the present existing system. He was, at different periods, treasurer of the Middlesex Street Railroad Co., assistant treasurer of the Boston Consolidated Street Railroad Co., assistant auditor of the West End Street Railway Co., treasurer of the Chelsea Street Railway Co., treasurer of the Somerville Street Railroad Co., assistant purchasing agent and afterwards ticket agent of the Boston Elevated Railway Co., which latter position he held at the time of his death. What a splendid testimony to his probity and trustworthiness the above record forms.

He removed from Charlestown in 1889 and established his home in Malden.

Early in life he became interested in Freemasonry, and his Masonic career is a long and creditable one. In all the various offices he held he was faithful to the duties imposed on him, he did his work well. To each successive step in office he gave his whole attention and became a wise and prudent leader, and he gained the support and approval of his associates, and his work lives after him.

He was made a Master Mason in Henry Price Lodge, Charlestown, February 29, 1879, and after serving in all of the subordinate positions of the Lodge was elected its Worshipful Master from October, 1889, to October, 1891.

He served as Senior Grand Steward of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Massachusetts in 1904.

Afterwards he became an associate member of Mt. Vernon Lodge of Malden, Massachusetts, and a charter member of the Lodge of Stirling, of Malden, Massachusetts, of which latter body he was its secretary at the time of his death.

He was exalted in the Royal Arch Chapter of the Signet, Charlestown District, Boston, Massachusetts, June 14, 1883, and after filling the successive steps in office served as its Excellent High Priest from January, 1893, to January, 1895.

He was appointed District Deputy Grand High Priest of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts for the Eighth Capitular District in 1896 and 1897, and was a member of the Massachusetts High Priesthood.

He received the cryptic degrees in Melrose Council, Royal and Select Masters, in 1894, and became its Thrice Illustrious Master from September, 1899, to September, 1900, and afterwards served as Illustrious Grand Steward of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Massachusetts from December, 1911, to December, 1912.

In the Commandery we see him at the very fullness of his powers, and his labors there have left results which have contributed in a remarkable degree to the prosperity of Cœur de Lion, and his record is one which reflected great honor on himself and brought him the hearty commendation of his fraters, who gave him their loyal support.

He was knighted in Cœur de Lion Commandery, K. T., October 16, 1888, and after serving through the various subordinate positions became its Eminent Commander from November, 1902, until November, 1904.

He received in 1903 and 1904 all the various degrees of the Scottish Rite from the fourth to the thirty-second inclusive, and was a member at the time of his death of Boston Lafayette Lodge of Perfection, Mt. Olivet Chapter of the Rose Croix, Giles F. Yates Council, Princes of Jerusalem, and Massachusetts Consistory, S. P. R. S.

At the conclusion of his duties in office in the various bodies, he did not relax his interest in their welfare, but continued his

work in other directions which might assist in their prosperity. At the time of his death he was a member of the Board of Trustees of the Masonic Apartments in Charlestown, representing Cœur de Lion Commandery, and was also chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Permanent Fund of the Royal Arch Chapter of the Signet.

He was in membership in various other associations based upon his Masonic service and connection. But it must not be inferred that all of his leisure time was engrossed with Masonic activities; far from it. He was connected with many activities of neighborhood and social life, in circles of historic nature, and in various associations having particular relation to his daily business life.

Such has been the round of life that our late eminent frater has followed. In all these various activities he will be sadly missed, for in all he has been one of the active factors which caused the various functions to operate, thus bringing pleasure and profit to those who benefited by his labors.

His family life was ideal, and the wife and the daughter who survive him have lost the one whose continual thought was for their happiness and comfort. We tender to them in this hour the deep sympathy and comfort of his fraters in Cœur de Lion Commandery.

The funeral took place from his late residence in Malden, on Thursday afternoon, December 9th, and was attended by a host of friends and associates who had gathered to pay the last tribute of respect to his memory.

Eminent Sir Benjamin J. Warton, Past Commander of Newburyport Commandery, was born in Birmingham, England, March 16, 1859, and died in Newburyport, Massachusetts, December 31, 1915.

Eminent Sir Warton was raised in St. John's Lodge of Newburyport, Massachusetts, September 5, 1889, and was its Worshipful Master in 1902–03. He was District Deputy Grand Master of the Ninth Masonic District in 1907–08; associate

member on Board of Masonic Relief 1910–15; proxy of St. John's Lodge to Grand Lodge 1914–15; exalted in King Cyrus Chapter, R. A. M., of Newburyport, Massachusetts, December 18, 1889; admitted to Amesbury Council, R. & S. M., of Amesbury, Massachusetts, June 12, 1891; knighted in Newburyport Commandery, No. 3, March 20, 1890, and served as Eminent Commander 1902–03.

Eminent Sir Peter Nerney, Past Commander of Bristol Commandery, was born in Ashton, Underline, Lancashire County, England, November 19, 1837, and died January 17, 1916.

He came to the United States with his parents in 1845, his father being engaged in the shoe business in Attleboro, Massachusetts.

Eminent Sir Nerney learned the jewelry business, and in 1866 established the jewelry coloring business of Short & Nerney, which later developed into the manufacturing business under the style Short, Nerney & Co.

In 1905 Mr. Nerney organized the firm known as the Bay State Optical Company.

Mr. Nerney was twice married, having three sons by the first marriage, the three sons only surviving him.

Eminent Sir Nerney became affiliated with Masonry in 1872, being initiated into Ezekiel Bates Lodge July 17, 1872, made a fellowcraft September 18th, and raised to Master Mason on October 18, 1872.

While of great assistance to the Lodge in its early days in numerous ways, he held office only to the extent of serving as Junior Steward in 1877 and Senior Steward in 1878.

Eminent Sir Nerney was a charter member of King Hiram Royal Arch Chapter, which was instituted in March, 1876, but only served the Chapter officially as Excellent Scribe, being installed into that station April 11, 1878, which office he held four years.

He was knighted in Bristol Commandery, No. 29, K. T., of

Attleboro, Mass., on June 18, 1875, and on January 19, 1883, was installed as Eminent Commander, serving in that capacity one year.

At the time of his death he was officially the oldest Eminent Commander of Bristol Commandery.

The funeral of the late departed frater was held Wednesday, January 19, 1916, the services being in charge of Ezekiel Bates Lodge, A. F. & A. M., Bristol Commandery, No. 29, K. T., acting as escort.

Eminent Sir Nerney was of a genial disposition and his reputation for honesty and integrity made him a man highly respected among a wide circle of friends.

Eminent Sir Everard B. Hanson, Past Commander of Athol Commandery, No. 37, died at the Northampton Hospital on February 7, 1916, after a serious operation.

Eminent Sir Hanson was born in China, Maine, October 25, 1855, and was educated in the public schools of that town and the Maine Wesleyan Academy. He was not a robust young man, and was early obliged to adopt an outdoor life, following the calling of a civil engineer as well as the management of a farm.

He came to Athol in 1882, going into the then small Starrett works. In 1887 he entered the employ of the B. & M. R.R. Co. and was stationed at Athol, Keene, New Hampshire, and Royalston, Massachusetts.

In 1891 he entered the employ of the Whitney Woolen Co., South Royalston, Massachusetts, serving as bookkeeper, superintendent, and agent, until this company was taken over by the American Woolen Co., severing his connection with this business in 1912. From this date he devoted all his time and strength to a large hothouse business, raising both flowers and vegetables.

His Masonic record: Raised in Dirigo Lodge, No. 10, Weeks Mills, Maine, March 7, 1882; dimitted from Dirigo Lodge and became a member of Athol Lodge July 20, 1886, again dimitting

to become a member of Star Lodge of Athol, July 6, 1892. Served Star Lodge in various offices, finally as Worshipful Master December 2, 1901, to December 7, 1903. Exalted in Union R. A. Chapter, Athol, February 7, 1893. Knighted in Athol Commandery, April 25, 1893, serving as Prelate three years, as Captain-General, Generalissimo, and as Eminent Commander in 1904–1905.

He received the Council Degrees in Titus Strong Council, of Greenfield, Massachusetts, January 12, 1893.

In the Scottish Rite he was a member of Worcester Lodge of Perfection, Goddard Council, Princes of Jerusalem, Lawrence Chapter, Rose Croix, and Massachusetts Consistory, attaining the thirty-second grade April 5, 1902. Also was a member of Aleppo Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S.

In his Masonic work Eminent Sir Hanson was very easy, graceful, and exactly accurate.

Eminent Sir Hanson was married April 16, 1876, to Lizzie Ellen Tucker, of China, Maine. Three children were born to them, the eldest, a son, dying young. Two daughters survive him, as does a second wife, to whom he was wed October 25, 1904.

Eminent Sir Hanson was most obliging and sound of judgment and looked up to for advice by the people of his home town.

He served his town and church in many capacities and positions of trust, always well.

Eminent Sir Varnum Waugh. Born in Roxbury, March 27, 1861. Died February 25, 1916.

He was initiated February 3, 1887, in Alpha Lodge, No. 376, in Clinton, Tennessee, from which he dimitted and joined Washington Lodge, Roxbury, December 8, 1887.

He received the capitular degrees in Mount Vernon Chapter, being exalted to the Royal Arch Degree January 19, 1888. He was elected Excellent High Priest in the years 1902 and 1903.

He was accepted in Joseph Warren Commandery September 4, 1893, and received the Order of the Red Cross on that date.

The Order of the Temple was conferred upon him September 20, 1893, and the Order of Malta December 4, 1893, on which date he signed the by-laws and became a member.

Commencing as one of the Guards in 1901, he filled various offices in the Commandery line and was elected Commander in 1911.

Eminent Sir Charles Aaron Estey, Past Commander of William Parkman Commandery, died at his home in East Boston, April 21, 1916. Interment was in the family lot at Duxbury. He was born in Fredericton, New Brunswick, October 3, 1850, and received his education in the public schools of that place. At the age of fifteen he came to East Boston and was subsequently appointed to a minor office in the Ferry Department of the city of Boston. By merit, distinguished ability, and courteous demeanor he was advanced to the office of treasurer or cashier, a position of trust and responsibility which he occupied through several changes of administration (some forty-two years) until his demise. He was associated with several business men in a local real estate enterprise, where his efficiency and kindly nature won the respect and love of all who knew him.

He was raised in Orange Lodge, Orange, Massachusetts, June 9, 1873; was dimitted to and took membership in Mount Tabor Lodge, East Boston, November 18, 1880; became Worshipful Master of that Lodge in 1907–1908. Appointed District Deputy Grand Master, Third Masonic District, 1912–1913; exalted in St. John's R. A. Chapter, February 28, 1887; became a member of the East Boston Council, R. & S. Masters, April 12, 1892; knighted in William Parkman Commandery, September 8, 1887, and Eminent Commander, 1899–1900; appointed Grand Lecturer of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, 1906–1907. He was a member of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, Past Sovereign Prince of Giles F. Yates Council of Princes of Jerusalem. Elected and received the thirty-third degree September 18, 1906.

He was a Past Potentate of Aleppo Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., and representative to the Imperial Council 1909–1916.

He was active in Masonry, serving as director Masonic Building Association 1898–1916; director of Masonic Apartments, 1901–1916. He was identified with Zenith Lodge of Odd Fellows, Abenakis Tribe of Red Men, Pilgrim Fathers, and other organizations.

Loving tribute was paid in the impressive Knights Templars burial service, held in the spacious Masonic Hall, conducted by E∴ Commander George F. Reif, assisted by the Rev. R. Perry Bush, Grand Prelate, and personal friend of the deceased. One hundred Sir Knights in uniform in line. Musical service was by a Masonic choir of eight voices. A large concourse of citizens and representatives of organizations filled every available space, together with a profusion of floral tributes, some from a long distance, attested eloquently his worth, and that the world had been made better by his having lived in it.

He is survived by a widow and two sons.

Sir William C. Hayes, generalissimo of Haverhill Commandery, K. T., No. 14, died in Boston, February 15, 1916.

Born in Milton, N. H., March 3, 1879, he came with his parents to Haverhill at an early age. After attending the Bryant & Stratton Commercial College he joined the firm of his father, the C. H. Hayes Corporation, being at the time of his death its Secretary and Treasurer.

He was a leading spirit in many social organizations, Pentucket Club and Island Golf Club being most prominent. He was a member of Merrimack Lodge, A. F. and A. M., Pentucket Chapter, R. A. M., Haverhill Council, R. and S. M., Haverhill Commandery, K. T., No. 14, and Merrimack Valley Lodge of Perfection.

Knighted in Haverhill Commandery he soon became a subordinate officer, and at the time he died held the office of Generalissimo, being elected 1914 and re-elected this year.

As a man among men he made friends quickly, being a boy in disposition, generous hearted and free, without an apparent care, although he made good in whatever trust was imposed upon him.

The profusion of flowers at his funeral — as never before seen on any occasion in Haverhill, from near and far, rare and exquisite—spoke volumes and more than words could convey of the love, friendship, and sympathy from all who knew him.

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

Right Eminent Sir William A. Bodenhamer, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Mississippi. Born in Gates County, Tennessee, in 1840; died at his home at Okolona, Mississippi, November 3, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Samuel John Hall, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Iowa. Born in County Armagh, Ireland, July 26, 1862, and died November 30, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Richard Lambert, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Louisiana and Grand Recorder at the time of his death. Died December 6, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir George M. Pike, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of North Dakota. Born in Wisconsin, April 9, 1865, and died December 7, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Julius Caesar Cross, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma. Born January 28, 1850; died December 10, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Alfred Augustus Redington, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of California. Born in Vassalboro, Maine, March 5, 1839; died in Sacramento, December 12, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir John Henry Guilfoil, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Colorado. Born April 12, 1844; died December 15, 1915.

Right Eminent Sir Sidney W. Douglas, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana. Born March 25, 1840; died January 10, 1916.

Right Eminent Sir Thomas Baker, Jr., Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of North Dakota. Born in Vermont, March 1, 1859; died January 24, 1916.

Right Eminent Sir Marsh Olin Perkins, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Vermont. Born in Rutland, Vermont, February 7, 1849; died February 10, 1916.

Right Eminent Sir William Fiske Cleveland, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Iowa. Born in Waterville, New York, August 30, 1844; died in Harlan, Iowa, February 19, 1916.

Right Eminent Sir George W. Kendrick, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania. Born July 31, 1841, and died February 26, 1916.

Very Eminent Sir John Willis Hunter, Deputy Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Tennessee, born October 18, 1854, and died March 3, 1916.

Right Eminent Sir DeForest DeFrancis Leach, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma. Born March 29, 1840, and died March 30, 1916.

Right Eminent Sir Charles Goltra, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana. Born October 20, 1845, and died April 12, 1916.

GENERAL ORDERS

OFFICE OF THE R.·.E.·. GRAND COMMANDER,
86 WEYBOSSET STREET, PROVIDENCE, R.I.
November 10, 1915.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 1
SERIES 1915–1916

1. The several Commanderies within this jurisdiction are assigned for official inspection as follows:

R.·.E.·. FREDERICK I. DANA, *Grand Commander.*

Calvary Commandery	No. 13

V.·.E.·. Sir SAMUEL D. SHERWOOD, *Deputy Grand Commander.*

Worcester County Commandery	No. 5
Holy Sepulchre Commandery	No. 8
Pilgrim Commandery	No. 9
Cambridge Commandery	No. 42

E.·. Sir WILLIAM H. EMERSON, *Grand Generalissimo.*

Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery	No. 25
Joseph Warren Commandery	No. 26
Trinity Commandery	No. 32
Gethsemane Commandery	No. 35

E.·. Sir WILLIAM J. BOLTON, *Grand Captain-General.*

Boston Commandery	No. 2
Hugh de Payens Commandery	No. 20
Olivet Commandery	No. 36

E.·. Sir EVERETT C. BENTON, *Grand Senior Warden.*

Newburyport Commandery	No. 3
Sutton Commandery	No. 16
Connecticut Valley Commandery	No. 23
Bristol Commandery	No. 29

E.·. Sir HARRY G. POLLARD, *Grand Junior Warden.*

St. John's Commandery	No. 1
Washington Commandery	No. 4
Palestine Commandery	No. 10
Jerusalem Commandery	No. 19

E.·. Sir HENRY C. DEXTER, *Grand Standard Bearer.*

De Molay Commandery	No. 7
Berkshire Commandery	No. 22
Northampton Commandery	No. 30

E.·. Sir ASA C. JEWETT, *Grand Sword Bearer.*

Narragansett Commandery	No. 27
Cœur de Lion Commandery	No. 34
Orange Commandery	No. 45

E.·. Sir CHARLES R. HUNT, *Grand Captain of the Guard.*

Haverhill Commandery	No. 14
Old Colony Commandery	No. 15
Athol Commandery	No. 37

E.·. Sir JAMES S. BLAKE, *Grand Lecturer.*

St. Omer Commandery	No. 21
William Parkman Commandery	No. 28
St. George Commandery	No. 44

E.·. Sir J. FRED PARKER, *Grand Lecturer.*

Woonsocket Commandery	No. 24
South Shore Commandery	No. 31
Cyprus Commandery	No. 39

E.·. Sir CLARENCE M. DUNBAR, *Grand Lecturer.*

Springfield Commandery	No. 6
St. Bernard Commandery	No. 12
Beauseant Commandery	No. 41

E.·. Sir WILLIAM A. SEWARD, *Grand Lecturer.*

Milford Commandery	No. 11
Bethany Commandery	No. 17
Natick Commandery	No. 33

E.·. Sir GEORGE W. KNOWLTON, *Grand Lecturer.*

Winslow Lewis Commandery	No. 18
Bay State Commandery	No. 38
St. Paul Commandery	No. 40

E.·. Sir WILLIAM H. BEATTIE, *Grand Lecturer.*

Bethlehem Commandery	No. 43
Ivanhoe Commandery	No. 46
Quincy Commandery	No. 47

2. Eminent Commanders are directed to cause to be sent to this office immediate information of the death of a Past Commander or officer of their respective Commanderies, together with such a sketch of his Masonic history as can be obtained.

3. Eminent Commanders are ordered to have all rituals of the Order entrusted to the officers of their Commanderies presented to the inspecting officer when called for. Inspecting officers are directed to make official report of any failure to comply with this order at once.

4. The Eminent Commander of each Commandery will ascertain before the visit of the inspecting officer the actual

number of uniforms owned by the Sir Knights of his Commandery. Definite report of the same is to be made to the inspecting officer.

5. Eminent Commanders will cause to be sent to the R.·. E.·. Grand Commander the inspecting officer assigned to their Commanderies, and to the Grand Recorder a notice of each conclave of their respective Commanderies during this Templar year.

6. The drill of Commanderies must be in accordance with tactics laid down in "Grant's Tactics," which can be purchased from the Grand Recorder.

7. The Inspecting Officer will ascertain if the Commander of the Commandery has complied with the order of the R.·. E.·. Grand Commander requesting him to forward to the Grand Recorder a copy of their by-laws, and a copy of the petition for the Orders used by that Commandery.

8. This order will be read at the head of each Commandery at the first stated conclave after its receipt.

FREDERICK I. DANA,
Grand Commander.

ATTEST:

B. W. ROWELL,
[SEAL] *Grand Recorder.*

ADDRESSES OF INSPECTING OFFICERS

R.·.E.·.Sir FREDERICK I. DANA	86 Weybosset Street, Providence, R. I.
V.·.E.·.Sir SAMUEL D. SHERWOOD	307 Main Street, Springfield, Mass.
E.·.Sir WILLIAM H. EMERSON	984 Main Street, Campello, Mass.
E.·.Sir WILLIAM J. BOLTON	Athol, Mass.
E.·.Sir EVERETT C. BENTON	65 Kilby Street, Boston, Mass.
E.·.Sir HARRY G. POLLARD	Lowell, Mass.
E.·.Sir CHARLES R. HUNT	New Bedford, Mass.
E.·.Sir HENRY C. DEXTER	Central Falls, R. I.
E.·.Sir JAMES S. BLAKE	376 Washington Street, Boston, Mass.
E.·.Sir J. FRED PARKER	State House, Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir WILLIAM A. SEWARD	66 Highland Avenue, Somerville, Mass.
E.·.Sir ASA C. JEWETT	Newton Centre, Mass.
E.·.Sir CLARENCE M. DUNBAR	85 Sprague Street, Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir GEORGE W. KNOWLTON	60 Pearl Street, Boston, Mass.
E.·.Sir WILLIAM H. BEATTIE	784 High Street, Fall River, Mass.

OFFICE OF THE R.·. E.·. GRAND COMMANDER,
86 WEYBOSSET STREET, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 2
SERIES 1915–1916

FREDERICK I. DANA, *Grand Commander.*

To all Knights Templars within the Jurisdiction of this Grand Commandery:

The following sentiment has been prepared by the Committee on Christmas Observance of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America.

To Right Eminent Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master:

While we rejoice in the numerical increase and growing influence of our Order, may we more earnestly pray that the ruling motive of each life be kindness and brotherliness to all, seeking to extend a helping hand to whomsoever may stand in need, remembering the words of the Blessed Immanuel, "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of the least of these, ye did it unto me."

THE ACTING GRAND MASTER SENDS THE FOLLOWING RESPONSE:

Sir Knights:

In responding to the beautiful and appropriate sentiment expressed in your toast, I heartily and earnestly enter into the spirit of the same. It is easy for me to do this, as the object aimed at has been one of the ruling passions of my life: a desire to bring sunshine and happiness into the lives of others, as I consider that no monument in bronze or marble can equal a living monument in the hearts of our fellow-beings. To so live and act that the world may be better because we have lived in it should be the aim of all members of this valiant and magnanimous Order, founded upon the life and teachings of Him of whom it is written, "Never man spake like this man," and who devoted His short earthly life for the benefit of mankind.

The occasion that called the Order of Christian Knighthood into being was the cause of those needing help and protection. The present day Templar has a sacred duty to perform, though of a different character.

I reiterate the appeal for charitable acts, not words, issued by Grand Master Melish, in Christmas response of 1910.

I call upon each of the nearly one quarter of a million Knights Templar under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment to individual reconsecration in the cause of humanity. Have you an enmity against a soul on earth? Go to him and be recon-

ciled. Have you wronged any one? Make it right. Are there those about you who have little of this world's necessities or luxuries, or upon whom fate has frowned in other ways? Then, at this happy Christmas time, go to them either with a smile or material help, and thus bring a little of the sunshine with which God has blessed you into the lives of others. By this you will prove to yourself the truthfulness of the saying, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

Since our last Christmas service our beloved Grand Master, Arthur MacArthur, has answered the final call and passed to the Grand Asylum above. He fell full knightly, with his armor on. Let us revere his memory, emulate his life, and follow the teaching derived therefrom. Let us press on in life's warfare by beautiful work and good acts. Let each day embrace some good deed, some kindly act, some thought for others than ourselves.

"If we sit down at set of sun
And count the things that we have done,
And, counting, find
One self-denying act, one word
That eased the heart of him who heard,
One glance most kind,
That fell like sunshine where it went,
Then we may count the day well spent."

Courteously and fraternally,

LEE S. SMITH,
Acting Grand Master.

It will be gratifying to the Grand Commander to have the Sir Knights of this jurisdiction, assembled in their asylums, their homes, or wherever they may be, join in the sentiment prepared by the committee, and in wishing the Acting Grand Master a joyous and happy Christmas as a mark of their respect and love for the Acting Grand Master.

This order will be borne upon the notice of the stated conclave next preceding December 25, A.D. 1915. A.O. 797, and be read at the head of each Commandery at said stated conclave.

Witness my hand and seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, this tenth day of November, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

FREDERICK I. DANA,
Grand Commander.

ATTEST:
B. W. ROWELL,
[SEAL] *Grand Recorder.*

GEORGE WASHINGTON MASONIC NATIONAL MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION

Following the recommendation made by R∴E∴Sir Walter Medding, that this Grand Commandery appropriate a sum of $100, and thereby secure membership in the Charter Roll of Honor in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, which recommendation was favorably acted upon by the Committee on Jurisprudence and the recommendation adopted by this Grand Commandery, the sum of $100 was forwarded to Brother Charles H. Callahan, Secretary of the Association, due acknowledgment of which has been received by your Grand Commander, and a certificate of membership in the association has been issued to this Grand Commandery, which certificate in now in the hands of the Grand Recorder.

Your Grand Commander under the date of February 1st received an invitation to attend the sixth annual convention of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial Association, which convention was held February 20th, 21st, and 22d. Owing to previous engagements your Grand Commander was unable to attend.

This association is performing a very commendable work and providing a suitable memorial to one of the greatest Masons, as well as one of the greatest Presidents, this country has produced, — George Washington. This work should receive the active co-operation of this Grand Commandery.

TABLET ON THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BUILDING, MARKET SQUARE, PROVIDENCE

In accordance with the resolution appropriating the sum of $25 for the purpose of joining other Masonic societies in the erection of a suitable tablet on the former City Hall and Market Building, Market Square, Providence, Rhode Island, which building was for many years the home of Masonry and Templary in the city of Providence, would say that the sum above mentioned was duly transmitted to R∴E∴Sir Walter W. Burnham,

who was duly constituted a committee of one to co-operate with committees representing other Masonic bodies. You will receive a further report from this committee today.

BY-LAWS

I have been called upon to give temporary approval of amendments to by-laws in one case only. This approval was granted to certain amendments to the by-laws of Hugh de Payens Commandery, referring to dues and suspension of members.

On the general subject of by-laws, would say that your Grand Commander early in his term requested each Commandery in the jurisdiction to return a copy of its by-laws to the office of the Grand Recorder, this return to be made by January 1, 1916. The intention of this request was for the purpose of enabling the Committee on By-laws to make a thorough examination of same, and bring them all into harmony so far as possible each with the other and with the constitution and by-laws, decisions, etc., of the Grand Encampment and the Grand Commandery. Many of the common errors and troubles of the Commanderies and their officers could be avoided if the by-laws of each Commandery were so harmonized, and many of the requests and demands upon the time of the Grand Commander, in fact almost all of them, would be eliminated, if the by-laws of each Commandery were put in proper shape and the Eminent Commander and other officers gave some serious and careful attention to the by-laws and regulations plainly laid down in the Grand constitutions and by-laws, copies of which are in the possession of each Commander.

DECISION BY THE GRAND MASTER

In accordance with the resolution directing your Grand Commander to request of the Most Eminent Grand Master a ruling on construction of Section 96 of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment, your Grand Commander communicated

with the Most Eminent Grand Master and received the following decision: that the word "time" in Section 96 means the *Hour* as well as the *Day*, and that no ballot can be taken at any other time than at a stated conclave, beginning at a stated hour and a stated time.

DECISIONS

No decisions have been rendered by your Grand Commander except simple interpretations of by-laws involving nothing of an intricate character.

THIRTY-THIRD TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE

The Committee on the Thirty-third Triennial Conclave, to be held in Los Angeles in June, 1916, will make a report at this Semi-Annual Conclave, with recommendations. The report and recommendations have the hearty approval of your Grand Commander, and your careful consideration is requested. Your committee has made careful arrangements for the comfort of all those who intend to go, and it is earnestly hoped that this Grand Commandery will show its loyalty by a large attendance.

Your Grand Commander has received the following letter from the Executive Committee for the entertainment for the Thirty-third Triennial Conclave:

FEBRUARY 10, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir FREDERICK I. DANA,

Grand Commander Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Right Eminent Sir and dear Frater:

The Executive Committee of the Thirty-third Triennial Conclave, Knights Templar of the United States, would esteem it an honor if you would accept the position of Marshal of the Second Division of the escort and parade to be held in Los Angeles on June 20, 1916. The division will consist of the Grand Commanderies of Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Virginia, Vermont, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Ohio,

Kentucky, and Maine. You will be allowed to select as Aids one Sir Knight for each Grand Commandery in your division, in addition to which a local Sir Knight will be detailed to act as Executive Aid. The Marshal and Aids are expected to be mounted, and enclosed herewith is information regarding mounts, which matter should have prompt attention.

Trusting to hear of your favorable acceptance, we are,

Courteously yours,

ROBERT WANKOWSKI,
Grand Marshal.

614 South Oxford Avenue, Los Angeles, California.

Your Grand Commander has accepted the appointment as above, and has appointed E.·.Sir William J. Bolton, Grand Captain-General, Chief of Staff.

SOCIAL

Your Grand Commander has been highly honored in a personal and official way by many of the Commanderies and on many occasions. These occasions have been so numerous and his obligations so great that it will be impossible for him to extend his thanks in each individual case. To each and every one of the Commanderies he desires to express his high appreciation and thanks for the many courtesies so liberally extended and for the hearty and cordial knightly greetings which have been accorded to him, with the sincere regret that he could not have accepted more of the kindly favors. Courtesies have also been extended by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts, the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters in Massachusetts, the Grand Commandery of Connecticut, and the Grand Commandery of Maine, all of which are hereby duly credited with grateful appreciation.

The following General Order was received from the Grand Encampment, Knights Templar of the United States of America:

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

R.·.E.·.Sir LEE S. SMITH, *Acting Grand Master*

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 3.

To all Commanderies and Subordinate Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of and Holding Allegiance to the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, Greeting:

KNOW YE, That in conformity with a custom heretofore approved by this Grand Encampment, we have appointed the following named Sir Knights, to whom commissions have been issued, as our Representatives to the respective Grand Commandery to which each is assigned, charging each frater with the duty of visiting the Grand Commandery to which he has been assigned, inspecting said body, and reporting to us upon such matters as may seem to him important.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ALABAMA, to which is assigned
V.·.E.·.Sir JOSEPH K. ORR, *Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment,* Atlanta, Georgia.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ARIZONA, to which is assigned
R.·.E.·.Sir PERRY W. WEIDNER, *Grand Commander,* Los Angeles, California.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ARKANSAS, to which is assigned
R.·.E.·.Sir JAMES A. SCOTT, *Grand Commander,* Muskogee, Oklahoma.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF CALIFORNIA, to which is assigned
R.·.E.·.Sir LOUIS G. CLARKE, *Grand Commander* of Oregon, Portland, Oregon.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF COLORADO, to which is assigned
R.·.E.·.Sir FREDERICK STEARNS, *Past Grand Commander,* Wichita, Kansas.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF CONNECTICUT, to which is assigned
R.·.E.·.Sir JOHN H. BONNINGTON, *Past Grand Commander,* New York City.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, to which is assigned
R.·.E.·.Sir THOMAS F. PENMAN, *Past Grand Commander,* Scranton, Pennsylvania.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF FLORIDA, to which is assigned
R.·.E.·.Sir JOHN W. PHILLIPS, *Past Grand Commander,* Mobile, Alabama.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF GEORGIA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir WM. BOWEN, *Past Grand Commander,*
Knoxville, Tennessee.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF IDAHO, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir CHAS. F. JENNINGS, *Grand Commander,*
Salt Lake City, Utah.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ILLINOIS, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir JEHIEL W. CHAMBERLIN, *Grand Captain-General, Grand Encampment,* St. Paul, Minnesota.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF INDIANA, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir WILLIAM L. SHARP, *Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Encampment,* Chicago, Illinois.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF IOWA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir WINFIELD T. DURBIN, *Past Grand Commander,*
Anderson, Indiana.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KANSAS, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir GEO. T. CAMPBELL, *Past Grand Commander,*
Owosso, Michigan.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KENTUCKY, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir ALEXANDER B. ANDREWS, Jr., *Grand Captain of the Guard of the Grand Encampment,* Raleigh, North Carolina.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF LOUISIANA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir SAM P. COCHRAN, *Past Grand Commander,*
Dallas, Texas.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MAINE, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir GARVIN R. MAGOON, *Past Grand Commander,*
Lancaster, New Hampshire.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MARYLAND, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir GEORGE W. KENDRICK, Jr., *Past Grand Commander,*
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir THOMAS J. SHRYOCK, *Past Grand Commander,*
Baltimore, Maryland.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MICHIGAN, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir WM. F. KUHN, *Past Grand Commander,*
Kansas City, Missouri.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MINNESOTA, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir LEONIDAS P. NEWBY, *Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment,* Knightstown, Indiana.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MISSISSIPPI, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir R. N. ROSS, *Past Grand Commander,*
Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MISSOURI, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir GEO. W. VALLERY, *Grand Warder of the Grand Encampment,*
Denver, Colorado.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MONTANA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir HENRY L. KENNAN, *Past Grand Commander,*
Spokane, Washington.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF NEBRASKA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir ANDREW J. STADE, *Past Grand Commander,*
Devil's Lake, North Dakota.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir FRANK L. NAGLE, *Past Grand Commander,*
Boston, Massachusetts.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF NEW JERSEY, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir FREDERICK C. THAYER, *Grand Standard Bearer Grand Encampment,* Waterville, Maine.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF NEW MEXICO, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir NELSON C. BLEDSOE, *Past Grand Commander,*
Bisbee, Arizona.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF NEW YORK, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir FRANK H. JOHNSON, *Grand Recorder Grand Encampment,*
Louisville, Kentucky.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF NORTH CAROLINA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir ELMORE D. HOTCHKISS, *Past Grand Commander,*
Richmond, Virginia.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF NORTH DAKOTA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir FRANCIS E. WHITE, *Past Grand Commander,*
Omaha, Nebraska.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF OHIO, to which is assigned
V.∴E.∴Sir WM. H. NORRIS, *Grand Junior Warden Grand Encampment,*
Manchester, Iowa.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF OKLAHOMA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir D. B. WADDELL, *Past Grand Commander,*
Meridian, Mississippi.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF OREGON, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir WILLIAM W. DALEY, *Past Grand Commander,*
Rawlins, Wyoming.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF PENNSYLVANIA, to which is assigned
M.∴E.∴Sir WILLIAM B. MELISH, *Past Grand Master Grand Encampment,* Cincinnati, Ohio.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF SOUTH CAROLINA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir HENRY G. SMALLBONES, *Past Grand Commander,*
Wilmington, North Carolina

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF SOUTH DAKOTA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir A. B. McGAFFEY, *Past Grand Commander*,
Denver, Colorado.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF TENNESSEE, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir ROBERT F. TAYLOR, *Past Grand Commander*,
Roanoke, Virginia.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF TEXAS, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir CHARLES E. ROSENBAUM, *Past Grand Commander*,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF UTAH, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir FRANK D. WINN, *Past Grand Commander*, Boisé, Idaho.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF VERMONT, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir ARTHUR S. LITTLEFIELD, *Grand Commander*,
Rockland, Maine.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF VIRGINIA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir NELSON WILLIAMS, *Past Grand Commander*,
Hamilton, Ohio.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF WASHINGTON, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir WM. E. GRACE, *Past Grand Commander*,
Portland, Oregon.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF WEST VIRGINIA, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir EDWARD G. STALEY, *Past Grand Commander*,
Baltimore, Maryland.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF WISCONSIN, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir HUTSON B. COLMAN, *Past Grand Commander*,
Kalamazoo, Michigan.

THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF WYOMING, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir CHAS. B. FINCH, *Past Grand Commander*,
Kearney, Nebraska.

ST. JOHN'S COMMANDERY, No. 1, Wilmington, Delaware, to which is assigned
R.∴E.∴Sir A. HOWARD THOMAS, *Past Grand Commander*,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The Subordinate Commanderies of the Grand Encampment will be under the direct supervision of the Grand Master.

Upon receipt of this General Order, the Grand Commander of each Grand Jurisdiction will, as soon as possible, get in communication with the Sir Knight appointed as visitor to his

Grand Commandery, and give him all information as to the time and place of the next Annual Conclave of his Grand Commander, and arrange for his official visit thereto.

Given under my hand and seal, in the city of Pittsburgh, State of Pennsylvania, this tenth day of December, A.D. 1915, A.O. 797.

LEE S. SMITH,
Acting Grand Master.

ATTEST:
FRANK H. JOHNSON,
[SEAL] *Grand Recorder.*

INSPECTIONS

Owing to the holding of the Semi-Annual Conclave at an earlier date this year than usual, all of the inspections have not been completed. There remain, however, only two or three inspections yet to be made.

With the general revival of business has come a larger interest in the Commanderies of this jurisdiction, as shown by the results of the inspections. The interest shown in the military movements on the floor of the Commandery continues to form the distinguishing feature of the development of the work of the various Commanderies. Thus far this has not affected the general excellence of the ritualistic work, but rather has assisted. Under these circumstances its development is deserving and should be encouraged. Practically all of the Commanderies within the jurisdiction are now in a healthy condition. All the inspecting officers have thus far made the inspections assigned them, and your Grand Commander extends to them his grateful appreciation of the excellence of their work and of the fidelity and faithfulness which they have shown in the discharge of their duties.

SEMI-CENTENNIALS

On January 10, 1916, Berkshire Commandery, No. 22, K. T., of Pittsfield, Massachusetts, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary, holding a banquet. Your Grand Commander and the Grand

Commandery was represented on that occasion by V.·. E.·. Sir Samuel D. Sherwood, Deputy Grand Commander. He reports a most delightful occasion. At 6.45 an escort and committee waited on the Grand Officers at the Wendell House, and conducted them to the asylum of Berkshire Commandery, where the Deputy Grand Commander and other officers were received in due form. Intermission was then declared, and adjournment had to their beautiful banquet hall, where dinner and the evening's programme took place. This programme consisted of addresses of welcome, an historical address by E.·. Sir William T. Petherbridge, addresses by V.·. E.·. Sir Samuel D. Sherwood and E.·. Sir Rev. R. Perry Bush, Grand Prelate, for and on behalf of the Grand Commandery. The toastmaster was E.·. Sir Charles E. Bennett, and the chairman of committee in charge of the celebration was E.·. Sir Jay P. Barnes. The celebration was a great success and reflected credit upon those in charge and upon the high standing of Berkshire Commandery.

St. Omer Commandery, No. 21, K. T., of Dorchester, Massachusetts, held its fiftieth anniversary ceremonies on Tuesday, February 29, 1916. The Sir Knights of St. Omer Commandery met in special conclave on the afternoon of the above date, in their asylum, Masonic Hall. Your Grand Commander had the pleasure of appointing E.·. Sir James S. Blake, Grand Lecturer of the Grand Commandery, as his personal representative on behalf of the Grand Commandery on this occasion. Other Grand Officers present were R.·. E.·. Sir William H. H. Soule, R.·. E.·. Sir Freeman C. Hersey, Sir Dana J. Flanders, R.·. E.·. Sir Charles I. Litchfield, R.·. E.·. Sir Walter F. Medding, and R.·. E.·. Sir E. Bentley Young. The Grand Officers were received in due form, E.·. Sir James S. Blake responding in his usual eloquent manner. An historical address was delivered by E.·. Sir William G. Irwin, Junior Past Commander. Addresses were also made by R.·. E.·. Sir William H. H. Soule, E.·. Sir Francis C. Hersey, Senior Past Commander of St. Omer, E.·. Sir James S. Blake, E.·. Sir Albert H. White, Commander of St. Omer Commandery

on the twenty-fifth anniversary. The celebration was impressive and successful and reflected credit upon St. Omer Commandery and its Commander, E.·. Sir Herbert F. Sawyer.

DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

Cyprus Commandery, No. 39, of Hyde Park, Massachusetts, to hold the conclave of November 25, A.D. 1915, in the asylum of the new Masonic Temple, Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

Narragansett Commandery, No. 27, to enter the jurisdiction of Connecticut, according to dispensation granted by R.·. E.·. George H. N. Johnson, Grand Commander of Connecticut, and to participate as the guest of Columbian Commandery, No. 4, Norwich, Connecticut, at an inspection of said Commandery, to be held Friday afternoon and evening, December 3, 1915, parading without banners and music.

Athol Commandery to attend church service on Sunday morning, December 19, 1915. Full Templar regalia, without banners or music.

Northampton Commandery to visit the Children's Home, on Sunday, December 19th, and to parade on that occasion in Templar regalia, without banners and music.

Springfield Commandery, No. 6, to hold a special election on the date of the regular conclave, January 3, 1916, to fill vacancy in the office of Senior Warden, and any other vacancy, should there be one, by means of said election.

Berkshire Commandery, No. 22, of Pittsfield, to parade in full uniform, with banners and music, for the purpose of celebrating their fiftieth anniversary, on Monday, January 10, 1916.

St. Paul Commandery, No. 40, to attend the Templar ball, Friday evening, January 14, 1916, to be held at the Wellington Hotel and Odd Fellows Hall adjoining, and to appear thereat in full regalia, without banners.

Beauseant Commandery to hold a special election, Monday, January 24, 1916, for the purpose of electing a Treasurer, and to fill any other office by election that may be vacant at that time.

De Molay Commandery to hold ladies' night at the Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts, on Monday evening, January 31, 1916, and to appear in full uniform on said occasion, with banners, etc.

Orange Commandery, No. 45, to attend the annual ball of Orange Lodge, A. F. & A. M., to be held February 4th, and to appear in full regalia.

Springfield Commandery, No. 6, to hold special election at the regular meeting in February for the purpose of filling vacancy in the office of Prelate, and any other office that may be vacant at that time.

Boston Commandery, No. 2, to hold an election at the next regular stated conclave after this date, for the purpose of filling vacancies caused by the death of the Generalissimo, Sir Fred W. Abbott; and to fill any offices by election that may be vacant by reason of said election. Date of election February 16, 1916.

Palestine Commandery to visit Richard Cœur de Lion Preceptory of Montreal on March 23d, for the purpose of exemplifying the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross, and to appear in uniform at that time, without public parade, banners, and music.

William Parkman Commandery, No. 28, to appear in Templar uniform, without music or banners, for the purpose of making a fraternal visit to Winthrop Royal Arch Chapter of Winthrop, Massachusetts, on Tuesday evening, March 28, 1916.

South Shore Commandery, No. 31, to attend divine service on Sunday, April 29, 1916, without music or banners.

Holy Sepulchre Commandery, No. 8, to act as escort for Jenks Lodge, F. & A. M., in celebrating the fiftieth anniversary by attending church, and to appear in parade on the streets in full Templar uniform, with banners and music, Sunday, April 30, 1916.

Boston Commandery, No. 2, to act as escort to the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Masons in Massachusetts on the occasion of the dedication of a monument to Most Worshipful

Grand Master Jeremy Gridley, Past Grand Master, on Thursday, May 11, 1916, and to appear in full Templar uniform, with banners.

REQUESTS FOR RELINQUISHMENT OF JURISDICTION GRANTED

St. George Commandery of Nashua, New Hampshire, of the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire, requested relinquishment of jurisdiction over Companion J. Freeman Parker, of East Pepperell, Massachusetts, through Garvin R. Magoon, Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire. This petition was referred to Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19, which Commandery waived jurisdiction December 16, 1915.

Vermont Commandery, No. 4, of Windsor, Vermont, and the Grand Commandery of Vermont requested, through Sir H. H. Ross, Grand Recorder, relinquishment of jurisdiction over Companion Fred C. Bolton, of Springfield. This petition was referred to Springfield Commandery, which Commandery voted to waive the jurisdiction May 1, 1916.

REQUESTS FOR COMMANDERIES TO ENTER JURISDICTIONS GRANTED

Narragansett Commandery, No. 27, Westerly, Rhode Island, requested dispensation and permission to accept an invitation to attend the inspection of Columbian Commandery, No. 4, Norwich, Connecticut, held Friday evening, December 3, 1915. Permission to enter the jurisdiction of Connecticut was requested of R.∴E.∴George H. N. Johnson, Grand Commander of Connecticut, and under the date of November 24, 1915, the Right Eminent Grand Commander of Connecticut granted the necessary dispensation.

COMMISSIONS

Owing to the death of R.∴E.∴Sir John W. Ballou, Bath, Maine, Grand Representative of this Grand Commandery

near the Grand Commandery of Maine, I issued a commission in his place to Sir Franklin R. Redlon, Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Commandery of Maine, to represent this Grand Commandery. Commission was dated April 15, 1916.

SOLICITATION OF CANDIDATES

In instructions issued to the inspecting officers, your Grand Commander called attention to the report of Most Eminent Grand Master Melish, endorsed by the present acting Grand Master, in reference to the propriety of the solicitation of new members, instructing them to explain that it is perfectly proper and desirable to solicit all good Masons duly qualified to become Sir Knights and employ all lawful and proper means to increase the number of Sir Knights and the strength of the Order.

The impression seems to have grown into a fixed conviction in the minds of a large number of our Sir Knights that no one should be asked to become a Sir Knight. This is probably the result of the influence of that old landmark of Masonry which dictates that a man must become a Mason of his own free will and accord.

This should not apply to a candidate for the Orders, as once a Mason always a Mason, and other things being equal there is no good reason why all Masons should not be Sir Knights, and certainly no good reason why one Mason should not ask another Mason to become a Sir Knight, whose first qualification must be that he is a tried and true Mason.

Your Commander therefore asks all Sir Knights to labor by all lawful means, by invitation, solicitation if necessary, to strengthen the influence of this magnanimous Order by increase in its numbers. But one caution is here asked: have constant care that no contention is caused among various Commanderies having the same jurisdiction, for no Commandery outranks another. Let our only thought be to create another Sir Knight, and emulate each other in our work and love for Christian Knighthood.

CONCLUSION

Throughout this Grand Jurisdiction not one ripple of contention or trouble appears upon the placid waters of our Templar life. Harmony prevails. No Grand Commander ever had a better staff of officers, — courteous, generous, faithful, — and he extends to them his sincere appreciation.

As your Grand Commander closes this his first formal address to you, his thoughts dwell with increased pleasure upon the delightful experience which the work of his office has thus far brought to him, — work that has the fragrant breath of harmony, charity, and brotherhood.

Conscious of many imperfections of human character, your Grand Commander yet hopes that he may in some manner have done something to reflect honor and glory upon this Grand Commandery which we all love to serve.

FREDERICK I. DANA,
Grand Commander.

On motion of R.∴ E.∴ Sir Walter W. Burnham the address was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the Grand Commander, Officers, and Members of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island in Semi-Annual Conclave assembled:

PROVIDENCE, R. I., May 11, 1916.

The duties of your Committee on Jurisprudence have been very light this year. The Annual Report of Grand Commander Medding leaves no room for criticism and calls for nothing but commendation from us. Universal peace and harmony seems to have pervaded the great army of Templars in this old jurisdiction, for the Grand Commander reports no requests for

rulings and no decisions called for during the last six months of his administration. The dispensations granted were all in accordance with Templar law, and we recommend their approval. Fitting and appropriate mention is made in the report of the beloved fraters in this and sister jurisdictions who have been called to the Celestial Asylum above.

The report as a whole is a comprehensive review of the many duties that pertain to the office of Grand Commander of this Grand Commandery, and it also shows how careful was Grand Commander Medding in conscientiously discharging every duty that devolved upon him.

We congratulate Past Grand Commander Medding on his successful administration, and we congratulate the Sir Knights of this Grand Jurisdiction upon the peace and prosperity that prevail within its borders.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. SANBORN,
DANA J. FLANDERS,
J. ALBERT BLAKE,
Committee.

On motion the report was accepted and adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Committee on By-laws have the honor to report that they have approved an amendment to Section 8 of Article IX of the By-laws of Boston Commandery relative to the forfeiture of membership.

Your committee has disapproved the amendment to Section 3 of Article V of the By-laws of Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43, of Gloucester, in relation to honorary membership, being contrary to the Resolves of the Grand Commandery, page 48, paragraph 4, that "honorary membership does not relieve a member of his own Commandery from the payment of dues."

The By-laws of Natick Commandery, No. 33, were received only recently, and certain sections, not being in conformity to the Constitution and Code of Statutes of the Grand Encampment and this Grand Commandery, have been returned to the Commandery, that necessary changes may be made.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. DEXTER,
DANA MALONE,
S. EVERETT TINKHAM,
Committee.

This report also received the unanimous endorsement of the Grand Commandery.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO BE HELD IN LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, IN JUNE, 1916.

To the Grand Commandery:

Your committee, appointed with full power to make all necessary arrangements for the comfort of the officers of the Grand Commandery and its representatives attending the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States, to be held at Los Angeles, California, in 1916, have the honor to report:

Your committee have made such arrangements as we believe will not only insure the comfort of the Grand Representatives

of this Grand Body, but will also maintain the dignity and reputation of this Grand Commandery.

A contract has been made at reasonable terms with the proprietor of the Hotel Alexandria for twelve sleeping rooms and two parlors for headquarters. Your committee consider that they have been especially fortunate in securing these accommodations, as they are so situated that they will be brought in very close touch with the center of Knight Templarism during the conclave.

These twelve rooms, at an average price of five dollars per room, to be occupied by one or two people, and the two parlors for the headquarters of the Grand Commandery are so situated that they are easily accessible for all who may wish to visit the Grand Commandery while the conclave is in session, so that the reputation of this Grand Commandery for knightly hospitality may be maintained.

We would recommend that the sum of four hundred ($400) dollars from the treasury of the Grand Commandery be appropriated to each member of the Grand Encampment from this jurisdiction attending this conclave, providing that this shall not apply to those representatives who are officers or on committees of the Grand Encampment and who receive mileage and per diem from the Grand Encampment.

We would further recommend that the committee be authorized to expend such a sum of money for entertainment, horses, etc., as shall be necessary for this Grand Commandery to maintain its knightly prestige.

We would also state that your committee has made suitable arrangement with George E. Marsters, tourist agent, for an itinerary going and coming that we think will be agreeable to all participating. Your committee have made arrangements so that the special car shall be attached to the special train of Calvary Commandery, which is to act as escort to the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Frederick I. Dana, and that the itinerary has an optional return, either by way of San Francisco to Boston or over the Canadian Pacific to Boston. First option arriving in Boston Saturday, July 1st; second option on Saturday, July 8th. It is proposed to send this itinerary to all who will participate, and it is hoped that a choice of optional routes will be made immediately upon its receipt.

Fraternally submitted,

B. W. ROWELL,
F. L. NAGLE,
F. I. DANA,
Committee.

On motion the report was accepted and approved and the recommendations therein contained adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TABLET TO BE ERECTED ON THE TOWN HALL IN PROVIDENCE

R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham then made a verbal report that the tablet had been placed as required, but that an additional appropriation equal to the proportionate part to be paid by the other bodies participating in the same would be required to defray the expense, which had been more than at first estimated.

On motion it was ordered that such proportion of the remaining expense as shall be required was authorized by unanimous vote.

E.∴Sir James H. Thurston, of Saint John's Commandery, then addressed Grand Commandery in relation to having a tablet placed on the Town Hall, in conjunction with the tablet already placed there, in memory of R.∴E.∴Sir Thomas Smith Webb, the first Grand Commander of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and that a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars be appropriated by Grand Commandery, and that R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham be appointed as a committee in conjunction with other committees from other bodies of the Order, in behalf of this Grand Commandery, and by unanimous vote it was so ordered.

All the Commanderies in the jurisdiction were represented at this Semi-Annual Conclave as follows:

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery
St. Johns	1	Providence, R. I.
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.
South Shore	31	East Weymouth, Mass
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE DAY

The Committee of the Day reported that dinner would be served at the Pomham Club immediately after the adjournment of the Grand Commandery, and that cars would be in waiting in front of the asylum at 12.30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of conveying the members to the Pomham Club.

There being no further business the Grand Commandery was then declared adjourned at twelve o'clock noon, after which all present proceeded to the Pomham Club, where a bountiful repast had been prepared under the direction of the Committee of the Day.

During the festivities of the occasion, on motion it was voted that the thanks of Grand Commandery be extended to E.·. Sir Arthur W. Dennis for his efforts in their behalf in procuring the Club for this occasion, and the Grand Recorder was instructed to write him a letter informing him of the vote of Grand Commandery.

Frederick I. Dana

Grand Commander.

ATTEST:

Grand Recorder.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONCLAVE

OF THE

Grand Commandery of Knights Templars

AND APPENDANT ORDERS

OF

MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

THE ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONCLAVE of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of the States of Massachusetts and Rhode Island assembled in the Asylum (Ionic Hall) in Masonic Temple, corner of Tremont and Boylston Streets, in the city of Boston, Mass., Wednesday, October 25, A.D. 1916, A.O. 798, at 10.45 o'clock in the forenoon.

GRAND OFFICERS PRESENT

R.·.E.·.Sir FREDERICK I. DANA . . . . . Grand Commander
V.·.E.·.Sir SAMUEL D. SHERWOOD . . . . Deputy Grand Commander
E.·.Sir WILLIAM H. EMERSON . . . . . Grand Generalissimo
E.·.Sir WILLIAM J. BOLTON . . . . . Grand Captain-General
E.·.Sir EVERETT C. BENTON . . . . . Grand Senior Warden
E.·.Sir HARRY G. POLLARD . . . . . Grand Junior Warden
E.·.Sir REV. R. PERRY BUSH, D.D. . . . . Grand Prelate
E.·.Sir REV. FRANCIS W. GIBBS . . . . . Grand Associate Prelate
R.·.E.·.Sir E. BENTLEY YOUNG . . . . . Grand Treasurer
E.·.Sir BENJAMIN W. ROWELL . . . . . Grand Recorder
Address 206 Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.
E.·.Sir HENRY C. DEXTER . . . . . Grand Standard Bearer
E.·.Sir ASA C. JEWETT . . . . . Grand Sword Bearer

E.·.Sir Joseph H. Potter . . . . . Grand Warder
E.·.Sir Charles R. Hunt . . . . . Grand Captain of Guards
E.·.Sir James S. Blake . . . . . } Grand Lecturers
E.·.Sir J. Fred Parker . . . . . }
E.·.Sir Clarence M. Dunbar . . . . . }
E.·.Sir William A. Seward . . . . . }
E.·.Sir George W. Knowlton . . . . . }
E.·.Sir William H. Beattie . . . . . }
E.·.Sir William E. Wilcox . . . . . Grand Sentinel

PAST GRAND COMMANDERS PRESENT

R.·.E.·.Sir John P. Sanborn
R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young
R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Johnson
R.·.E.·.Sir William H. H. Soule
R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle
R.·.E.·.Sir Edwin A. Blodgett
R.·.E.·.Sir Charles I. Litchfield
R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey
R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding

DISTINGUISHED VISITORS PRESENT

R.·.E.·.Sir Clayton J. Farrington of Maine.

V.·.E.·.Sir J. F. Hill, Grand Generalissimo of Maine.

E.·.Sir W. J. Dorman, Grand Captain General of Maine.

V.·.E.·.Sir F. R. Redlon, Deputy Grand Commander of Maine.

The Committee on Credentials reported that a constitutional number of subordinates were represented, whereupon the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander proceeded to open the Grand Commandery in ample form, assisted by the other Grand Officers and members present, the Sir Knights being led in their devotions by E.·.Sir R. Perry Bush, D.D., Grand Prelate; after which the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander, Frederick I. Dana, declared the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island duly opened in ample form and ready for the despatch of business.

RECEPTION OF DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

The Grand Warder having been instructed to retire and ascertain if there were in waiting any distinguished visitors, presently re-entered the asylum and reported that there was in waiting in an adjoining apartment E.·.Sir Asa C. Jewett, acting Grand Warder of the Grand Encampment of the U.S.A., who presently entered the asylum and announced that there was in waiting M.·.E.·.Sir Lee S. Smith, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, who was accompanied by R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle, Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Encampment.

Grand Commander Dana appointed as a committee to retire and escort these distinguished fraters into the asylum all the Past Grand Commanders present, together with the Deputy Grand Commander and the Grand Generalissimo.

The committee having performed their duty, the M.·.E.·. Grand Master and Grand Sword Bearer were received under an arch of steel and most cordially welcomed by the R.·.E.·. Grand Commander, when the M.·.E.·.Grand Master was escorted to the East and tendered the emblem of authority, whereupon he assumed the East and for a brief period presided, addressing the Sir Knights, after which the M.·.E.·. Grand Master resigned the chair to the Grand Commander and the business of the conclave was proceeded with.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

Boston, October 25, 1916.

The Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following Sir Knights entitled to seats in this Grand Commandery have been registered as being present at this conclave.

Those marked by * are present; those marked ** represented by proxy.

Saint John's, No. 1

*E.·.C.·.Norris G. Abbott . . . 107 Providence St., Providence, R. I.
*Gen.·.Edgar C. Lakey . . . . . 239 Sackett St., Providence, R. I.
*C.·.G.·.Walter A. Presbrey . . . 16 Woodman St., Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Albert H. Cushman . . . . 97 Niagara St., Providence, R. I.
*E.·.Sir Robert E. Dwelly . . . . . Hanover, Mass.
E.·.Sir Walter B. Vincent . . . . . Supreme Court, Providence, R. I.
*E.·.Sir William B. Husband . . . . State House, Providence, R. I.
R.·.E.·.Sir George L. Shepley 17 Custom House St., Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir William H. Perry . . . . . Box 1277, Providence, R. I.

E.·.Sir Forrest A. Peck . . . . . 190 Magnolia St., Auburn, R. I.
E.·.Sir Andrew B. Eddy . . . . . Box 1391, Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Horace S. Richardson . . . . 94 Point St., Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Charles C. Newhall . . . . . R.F.D., So. Scituate, R. I.
R.·.E.·.Sir Walter W. Burnham . . . . City Hall, Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Edward M. Clarke . . . . . 18 Hart St., Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Henry A. Carpenter . . . . P.O. Box 1435, Providence, R. I.
*E.·.Sir J. Fred Parker . . . . . State House, Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Edwin G. Penniman . . . . . Fort William, Ontario
E.·.Sir Joseph P. Burlingame . . . . . Box 153, Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Waldo M. Place . . . . R. I. Safe Dep. Co., Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Clayton A. Ballou . . . . 37 Weybosset St., Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Edward I. Mulchahey . . . 95 Chestnut St., Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir John A. Tillotson . . . . . The Boulders, Wayne, Pa.
E.·.Sir John R. Dennis . . . . . Box 1524, Providence, R. I.
E.·.Sir Frank W. Lockwood . . . . 20 Market Sq., Providence, R. I.
*E.·.Sir William L. Phillips . . . . . Box 1435, Providence, R. I.
*E.·.Sir Arthur S. Vaughn . . 1153 Westminster St., Providence, R. I.
*E.·.Sir James H. Thurston . . 42 Westminster St., Providence, R. I.
*E.·.Sir Francis W. Gibbs, Grand Prelate . . . . . Providence, R. I.

Boston, No. 2

*E.·.C.·.George U. Bauer . . . . 101 Broadway Extn., Boston, Mass.
*Gen.·.Charles W. Howard . 101 Summer St., Room 43, Boston, Mass.
C.·.G.·.Walter B. Tripp . . . . . 30 Huntington Ave., Boston, Mass.
*E.·.Sir Frederick T. Comee . Kensington Chambers, Cambridge, Mass.
*E.·.Sir James M. Gleason . . . . . P.O. Box 1683, Boston, Mass.
*E.·.Sir Eugene A. Holton . . . . . 127 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
*E.·.Sir Leonard B. Nichols . . . . . 25 Blandford St., Boston, Mass.
*R.·.E.·.Sir Charles I. Litchfield . . 175 Tremont St., Boston, Mass.
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REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER FOR 1916

BOSTON, October 25, 1916.

To the R.∴E.∴Grand Commander, Officers, and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Grand Recorder respectfully submits the following annual report of the transactions of his office for the year ending date.

Twenty days after the close of the Annual Conclave of 1915 the Proceedings were printed and distributed as follows:

One copy was sent by mail to the address of each member of this Grand Commandery, viz., eight hundred thirty-five copies; one copy to each Recorder of subordinate Commanderies, viz., forty-seven copies; three copies to the Grand Recorders of sister Grand Commanderies, and three copies to the Grand Recorder of the Grand Encampment of the United States, also one copy to the public libraries of the State and nation.

ANNUAL RETURNS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT

The annual returns of this Grand Commandery to the Grand Encampment of the United States, together with the annual tax due from this Grand Commandery, amounting to $917, were forwarded to the Grand Recorder, E.∴Sir Frank H. Johnson, March 8, 1916, and receipt of same has been duly acknowledged.

ARCHIVES

The archives of this Grand Commandery in the library room of the office of your Grand Recorder are in excellent condition, and have been increased during the year by Proceedings from sister Grand Commanderies, and now contain six hundred and eighty-seven bound volumes and more than four thousand pamphlets.

RETURNS OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES

The annual returns of the subordinate Commanderies in this jurisdiction were all received in constitutional time.

STATISTICS

The following tabulated statement is the work of the Templar year ending September 30, 1916, and shows the following results:

Gains	
Knighted	819
Affiliated	52
Restored	36
Total gains	907
Losses	
Demitted	119
Suspended	95
Died	387
Total losses	601
Making a gain for the year of	306
The total membership is now	18,618

TEMPLARS IN THE UNITED STATES AND THE WORLD

The whole number of Templars in the United States is, as compiled from the latest reports, 243,713, and in the world, 259,180.

From these tables it will be found that the sources of gains and losses have been as follows:

Gains	
Knighted	14,911
Affiliated	1,093
Restored	712
Total gains	17,316

Losses

Demitted	3,038
Suspended	3,102
Expelled	24
Died	4,169
	10,333
Making a net gain for the year of	6,983

STATISTICAL TABLE

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery	Date of Charter	Time of Meeting	Date of Annual Conclave	Knighted	Affiliated	Restored	Suspended	Dimitted	Expelled	Died	No. of Members in 1915	No. of Members in 1916	Gain	Loss
St. John's	1	Providence, R.I.	Oct. 7, 1805	1st Mon. in each month	1st Monday in Oct.	52	2	8	...	...	...	15	991	1,022	31	...
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	Mar. 3, 1806	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Sept.	24	1	1	8	8	...	28	1,075	1,057	...	18
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	May 12, 1808	3d Thurs. in each month	3d Thursday in Sept.	8	...	...	2	...	...	5	233	231	...	2
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.	June 7, 1814	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Sept.	13	...	...	1	...	...	2	236	236	10	...
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	Dec. 17, 1824	1st Thurs. in each month	1st Thursday in Oct.	23	...	...	...	...	...	18	688	692	4	...
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	June 19, 1826	1st Mon. in each month	1st Monday in Oct.	42	2	...	6	1	5	18	908	983	75	...
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	Oct. 10, 1848	4th Wed. in each month	4th Wednesday in Sept.	30	5	...	2	9	...	21	855	878	23	...
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.	Sept. 25, 1849	3d Fri. in each month	4th Friday in September	33	...	...	...	...	...	10	435	458	23	...
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	Oct. 10, 1855	4th Wednesday in each month	4th Wednesday in Oct.	18	1	1	2	1	...	7	510	520	10	...
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	2d Wed. in each month	2d Wednesday in Oct.	6	...	3	5	2	...	8	357	351	...	6
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1859	4th Mon. in each month	4th Monday in Sept.	6	...	...	4	...	...	6	223	219	...	4
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1860	2d Wed. in each month	2d Wednesday in Oct.	5	...	...	...	1	...	1	111	114	3	...
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	May 22, 1869	3d Tues. in each month	3d Tuesday in Sept.	49	1	1	3	4	...	16	661	689	28	...
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	Oct. 12, 1863	2d Tues. in each month	2d Tuesday in Oct.	16	1	...	...	1	...	9	310	317	7	...
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	May 27, 1863	4th Monday each month	4th Monday in Sept.	11	...	...	1	...	...	4	259	265	7	...
Bethany	16	New Bedford, Mass.	Oct. 5, 1864	1st Thurs. in each month	1st Thursday in Oct.	36	...	...	...	4	...	13	470	486	16	...
Winslow Lewis	17	Lawrence, Mass.	Oct. 28, 1864	Last Mon. in each month	Last Monday in Sept.	8	...	3	9	5	3	10	378	362	...	16
Jerusalem	18	Salem, Mass.	Mar. 3, 1865	3d Thurs. in each month	3d Thursday in Oct.	11	...	...	2	3	3	3	281	287	6	...
Hugh de Payens	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	Mar. 8, 1865	3d Thurs. in each month	3d Thursday in Sept.	3	...	1	3	6	...	6	318	318	...	8
St. Omer	20	Melrose, Mass.	Mar. 27, 1865	2d Wed. in each month	2d Wednesday in Sept.	22	...	...	6	...	2	21	519	512	...	2
Berkshire	21	Dorchester, Mass.	Sept. 30, 1865	3d Mon. in each month	3d Monday in Sept.	36	...	...	1	...	...	3	440	476	36	...
Connecticut Valley	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	Dec. 22, 1865	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Oct.	6	...	...	...	...	2	2	322	324	2	...
Woonsocket	23	Greenfield, Mass.	Dec. 22, 1866	1st Tues. in each month	1st Tuesday in Oct.	5	...	...	1	...	...	10	246	242	...	4
Godfrey de Bouillon	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	Jan. 31, 1867	2d Tues. in each month	2d Tuesday in Oct.	9	...	...	...	3	...	10	313	308	...	5
Joseph Warren	25	Fall River, Mass.	May 29, 1868	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Sept.	9	...	16	...	4	...	6	393	410	17	...
Narragansett	26	Roxbury, Mass.	Jan. 1, 1869	1st Mon. in each month	1st Monday in June	17	...	2	3	1	10	9	482	480	...	2
William Parkman	27	Westerly, R.I.	May 12, 1869	1st Wed. in each month	1st Wednesday in Oct.	4	...	...	...	...	...	1	175	176	1	...
Bristol	28	East Boston, Mass.	May 12, 1870	2d Thurs. in each month	2d Thursday in Sept.	59	...	3	1	2	...	6	333	394	41	...
Northampton	29	Attleboro, Mass.	May 28, 1870	1st Fri. in each month	1st Friday in Sept.	14	...	...	...	...	...	5	338	343	5	...
South Shore	30	Northampton, Mass.	June 2, 1870	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Sept.	7	...	3	2	2	2	5	254	248	...	6
Trinity	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	June 2, 1870	4th Thurs. in each month	4th Thursday in Sept.	13	...	...	...	2	2	6	208	202	6	...
Natick	32	Hudson, Mass.	June 8, 1871	3d Wed. in each month	3d Wednesday in Sept.	13	...	...	...	...	...	8	289	292	3	...
Cœur de Lion	33	Charlestown, Mass.	April 14, 1871	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Sept.	11	...	2	...	...	...	6	222	227	5	...
Gethsemane	34	Marlborough, Mass.	Oct. 14, 1871	3d Tues. in each month	3d Tuesday in Nov.	21	...	...	3	7	...	14	556	554	...	2
Olivet	35	Newtonville, Mass.	Oct. 20, 1872	4th Tues. in each month	4th Tuesday in June	22	...	...	1	6	...	8	433	443	10	...
Athol	36	Lynn, Mass.	Mar. 13, 1873	1st Wed. in each month	1st Wednesday in Oct.	10	...	1	...	...	...	7	396	400	4	...
Bay State	37	Athol, Mass.	June 7, 1873	1st Wed. in each month	1st Wednesday in Sept.	10	...	...	1	7	...	6	220	217	...	3
St. Paul	38	Brockton, Mass.	Sept. 13, 1873	3d Mon. in each month	3d Monday in Sept.	15	...	1	1	...	...	11	498	501	3	...
Beauseant	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	Oct. 31, 1873	4th Thurs. in each month	4th Thursday in Sept.	9	...	...	...	2	...	8	342	339	...	3
Cambridge	40	North Adams, Mass.	Jan. 19, 1882	2d Fri. in each month	2d Friday in Sept.	19	2	...	...	2	2	2	249	266	17	...
Bethlehem	41	Malden, Mass.	Oct. 20, 1886	4th Mon. in each month	4th Monday in Oct.	16	4	...	...	8	8	7	395	406	11	...
St. George	42	Cambridge, Mass.	May 28, 1890	4th Tues. in each month	4th Tuesday in Sept.	22	1	2	7	1	...	7	436	439	3	...
Orange	43	Gloucester, Mass.	Oct. 29, 1890	2d Mon. in each month	2d Monday in Oct.	15	1	...	...	...	1	4	150	148	...	2
Ivanhoe	44	Beverly, Mass.	Mar. 19, 1892	2d Thurs. in each month	Last Friday in Sept.	4	1	...	...	1	...	4	154	175	11	...
Quincy	45	Orange, Mass.	Oct. 26, 1893	Last Fri. in each month	Last Friday in Sept.	4	...	...	...	...	...	3	155	156	1	...
	46	Gardner, Mass.	Oct. 31, 1896	1st Tues. in each month	1st Tuesday in Sept.	17	2	...	...	3	...	3	250	265	15	...
	47	Quincy, Mass.	Feb. 27, 1911	4th Mon. in each month	4th Monday in Sept.	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	253	208	...	5
Totals						819	52	36	95	119	...	387	18,328	18,618	...	...

STATISTICAL TABLE

Grand Commandery of	Year	Date of Organization	Date of Annual Conclave	Number Knighted	Number Affiliated	Number Restored	Number Dimitted	Number Suspended	Number Expelled	Number Died	Number of Subordinates	Number of Members	Gain over Last Report
Alabama	1916	Nov. 29, 1860	April 26, 1916	298	38	16	36	68	2	22	24	2,032	224
Arizona	1916	Nov. 16, 1893	Mar. 13, 1916	24	7	1	22	9	...	6	6	510	9
Arkansas	1916	Mar. 23, 1872	May 16, 1916	93	8	5	12	41	...	19	21	1,486	34
California	1916	Aug. 10, 1858	April 20, 1916	303	118	18	108	127	1	151	54	7,708	52
Colorado	1915	Mar. 14, 1876	Sept. 24, 1915	149	53	11	42	27	1	47	32	3,320	96
Connecticut	1916	Sept. 13, 1827	Mar. 21, 1916	197	4	3	8	13	...	87	11	4,267	98
Dist. of Columbia	1916	Jan. 14, 1896	May 8, 1916	67	10	5	23	21	...	46	5	1,635	*8
Florida	1916	Aug. 15, 1895	April 11, 1916	139	35	....	29	39	1	23	20	1,397	82
Georgia	1916	April 25, 1870	May 10, 1916	515	31	28	45	119	...	54	30	3,802	356
Idaho	1915	Aug. 31, 1904	June 15, 1915	39	9	1	7	23	...	7	10	753	19
Illinois	1916	Oct. 27, 1857	Oct. 3, 1916	1,224	49	132	388	223	...	337	81	19,407	628
Indiana	1916	May 16, 1854	May 10, 1916	530	43	19	90	97	2	128	58	8,261	277
Iowa	1916	June 6, 1864	Aug. 9, 1916	533	66	22	115	79	...	123	62	7,387	304
Kansas	1916	Dec. 29, 1868	May 9, 1916	441	40	24	89	59	1	139	55	6,621	217
Kentucky	1916	Oct. 15, 1847	April 1, 1916	264	48	11	86	85	3	66	34	5,116	161
Louisiana	1916	Feb. 12, 1864	May 1, 1916	92	11	6	16	15	...	21	12	1,153	57
Maine	1915	May 5, 1852	May 6, 1915	233	12	6	43	66	...	130	23	5,621	12
Maryland	1916	Jan. 23, 1871	May 2, 1916	95	5	1	36	21	...	48	13	2,223	*11
Mass. and Rhode Island	1916	May 6, 1805	Oct. 25, 1916	819	52	36	119	95	...	387	47	18,618	306
Michigan	1916	April 5, 1857	June 7, 1916	974	69	18	143	43	1	198	51	9,521	576
Minnesota	1916	Oct. 23, 1865	May 17, 1916	285	67	7	109	34	...	73	31	4,859	143
Mississippi	1916	Jan. 21, 1857	May 9, 1916	130	20	20	51	91	1	26	26	2,055	1
Missouri	1916	May 22, 1860	May 23, 1916	445	64	29	131	154	...	146	61	7,244	107
Montana	1916	May 14, 1888	Aug. 26, 1916	160	20	7	27	21	1	13	16	1,532	167
Nebraska	1916	Dec. 27, 1871	May 4, 1916	191	16	6	23	38	...	39	29	2,828	113
New Hampshire	1915	June 13, 1826	Sept. 28, 1915	85	10	5	13	12	...	56	11	2,802	19
New Jersey	1916	Feb. 14, 1860	May 9, 1916	214	11	10	33	47	...	70	19	3,591	85
New Mexico	1915	Aug. 21, 1901	Oct. 15, 1915	32	5	....	12	3	2	13	12	715	7
New York	1916	Jan. 18, 1814	June 5, 1916	1,127	82	95	220	473	...	420	70	23,305	191
North Carolina	1916	May 10, 1881	May 10, 1916	234	65	2	81	43	...	21	22	1,947	161
North Dakota	1916	Jan. 16, 1890	April 25, 1916	98	10	5	25	27	...	26	15	1,649	35
Ohio	1915	Oct. 24, 1843	Oct. 13, 1915	955	72	43	114	119	6	264	65	17,897	567
Oklahoma	1916	Feb. 10, 1896	April 21, 1916	241	46	32	72	90	1	40	40	2,644	116
Oregon	1915	April 13, 1884	Sept. 23, 1915	95	34	1	12	18	...	15	17	1,899	85
Pennsylvania	1916	April 12, 1854	May 23, 1916	1,270	99	6	130	220	...	431	87	24,289	594
South Carolina	1915	Mar. 25, 1907	April 14, 1915	141	15	5	1	31	...	19	9	1,660	100
South Dakota	1916	May 14, 1884	Aug. 9, 1916	137	10	5	3	14	...	26	19	1,982	74
Tennessee	1916	Oct. 12, 1859	May 18, 1916	167	22	9	2	54	...	29	19	1,992	86
Texas	1916	Jan. 18, 1855	April 20, 1916	344	67	20	13	173	...	102	61	6,576	23
Utah	1916	May 9, 1910	May 9, 1916	11	8	....	(	2	...	11	3	483	.....
Vermont	1916	June 27, 1824	June 13, 1916	93	11	....	1	7	...	57	13	2,818	21
Virginia	1915	Nov. 27, 1823	Oct. 26, 1915	223	35	7	51	40	...	45	26	3,579	129
Washington	1915	June 2, 1887	Sept. 23, 1915	255	39	8	25	21	...	41	15	2,479	241
West Virginia	1916	Feb. 25, 1874	May 17, 1916	330	98	13	116	58	1	33	21	4,313	233
Wisconsin	1915	Oct. 20, 1859	Oct. 12, 1915	416	39	11	66	30	...	81	38	5,508	289
Wyoming	1916	Mar. 8, 1888	Mar. 8, 1916	53	21	1	23	6	...	13	11	718	33
Grand Encamp't U.S.	1913	June 21, 1816	.....	150	4	2	11	5	...	20	9	1,203	94
Totals in U. S.	.....	.....	.....	14,911	1,693	712	3,038	3,102	24	4,169	1,414	243,513	
Canada	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	9,049	.....
England and Wales	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	3,140	.....
Ireland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	1,300	.....
Scotland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	1,828	.....
Victoria, Australia	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	150	.....
Total in the World	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	...	.....	.....	258,980	.....

*Loss

DIPLOMAS DELIVERED TO COMMANDERIES

Name of Commandery	No.	Location of Commandery	Diplomas
St. Johns	1	Providence, R.I.	52
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	24
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	8
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	23
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	52
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	50
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	35
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	8
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	6
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	5
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	72
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	24
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	4
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	35
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	8
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	15
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	3
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	23
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	36
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield Mass.	8
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	8
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	10
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	9
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	11
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	48
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	13
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	5
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	14
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	13
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	11
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	20
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	24
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	10
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	15
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	9
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	21
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	19
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	19
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	6
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	13
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	4
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	13
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	13
Total	.....	.....	817

NUMERICAL STANDING OF COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

No.	Commandery	Members
1	Boston, No. 2	1,057
2	Saint John's, No. 1	1,022
3	Springfield, No. 6	983
4	De Molay, No. 7	878
5	Worcester County, No. 5	692
6	Calvary, No. 13	689
7	Cœur de Lion, No. 34	554
8	Pilgrim, No. 9	520
9	Hugh de Payens, No. 20	512
10	Bay State, No. 38	501
11	Sutton, No. 16	486
12	Joseph Warren, No. 26	480
13	Saint Omer, No. 21	476
14	Holy Sepulchre, No. 8	458
15	Gethsemane, No. 35	443
16	Cambridge, No. 42	439
17	Godfrey de Bouillon, No. 25	410
18	Beauseant, No. 41	406
19	Olivet, No. 36	400
20	William Parkman, No. 28	394
21	Bethany, No. 17	362
22	Palestine, No. 10	351
23	Bristol, No. 29	343
24	Cyprus, No. 39	339
25	Berkshire, No. 22	324
26	Jerusalem, No. 19	318
27	Haverhill, No. 14	317
28	Woonsocket, No. 24	308
29	Trinity, No. 32	292
30	Winslow Lewis, No. 18	287
31	Quincy, No. 47	268
32	Saint Paul, No. 40	266
33	Old Colony, No. 15	265
34	Washington, No. 4	256
35	Northampton, No. 30	248
36	Connecticut Valley, No. 23	242
37	Newburyport, No. 3	231
38	Natick, No. 33	227
39	Milford, No. 11	219
40	Athol, No. 37	217
41	South Shore, No. 31	214
42	Narragansett, No. 27	176
43	Saint George, No. 44	175
44	Orange, No. 45	156
45	Ivanhoe, No. 46	155
46	Bethlehem, No. 43	148
47	Saint Bernard, No. 12	114

NUMERICAL RANK OF GRAND COMMANDERIES FROM THE LATEST RETURNS

Standing	Grand Commandery	Membership
1	Pennsylvania	24,289
2	New York	23,305
3	Illinois	19,407
4	Massachusetts and Rhode Island	18,818
5	Ohio	17,897
6	Michigan	9,521
7	Indiana	8,261
8	California	7,708
9	Iowa	7,387
10	Missouri	7,244
11	Kansas	6,621
12	Texas	6,576
13	Maine	5,621
14	Wisconsin	5,508
15	Kentucky	5,116
16	Minnesota	4,859
17	West Virginia	4,313
18	Connecticut	4,267
19	Georgia	3,803
20	New Jersey	3,591
21	Virginia	3,579
22	Colorado	3,320
23	Nebraska	2,828
24	Vermont	2,818
25	New Hampshire	2,802
26	Oklahoma	2,644
27	Washington	2,497
28	Maryland	2,223
29	Mississippi	2,055
30	Alabama	2,223
31	Tennessee	1,992
32	South Dakota	1,982
33	North Carolina	1,947
34	Oregon	1,899
35	South Carolina	1,660
36	North Dakota	1,649
37	District of Columbia	1,635
38	Montana	1,532
39	Arkansas	1,486
40	Florida	1,397
41	Wyoming	1,203
42	Louisiana	1,153
43	Idaho	763
44	New Mexico	715
45	Arizona	510
46	Utah	483

REPORT OF INSPECTIONS

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Date of Inspection	Name and Rank of Inspecting Officer
St. Johns	1	April 3, 1916	Harry G. Pollard, Grand Junior Warden
Boston	2	March 15, 1916	William J. Bolton, Grand Captain General
Newburyport	3	April 20, 1916	Everett C. Benton, Grand Senior Warden
Washington	4	May 17, 1916	Harry G. Pollard, Grand Junior Warden
Worcester County	5	April 20, 1916	Samuel D. Sherwood, Deputy Grand Commander
Springfield	6	March 13, 1916	Clarence M. Dunbar, Grand Lecturer
De Molay	7	Feb. 23, 1916	Henry C. Dexter, Grand Standard Bearer
Holy Sepulchre	8	March 3, 1916	Samuel D. Sherwood, Deputy Grand Commander
Pilgrim	9	May 4, 1916	Samuel D. Sherwood, Deputy Grand Commander
Palestine	10	April 12, 1916	Harry G. Pollard, Grand Junior Warden
Milford	11	Feb. 28, 1916	William A. Seward, Grand Lecturer
St. Bernard	12	March 8, 1916	Clarence M. Dunbar, Grand Lecturer
Calvary	13	Feb. 15, 1916	Frederick I. Dana, Grand Commander
Haverhill	14	April 11, 1916	Charles R. Hunt, Grand Captain of the Guard
Old Colony	15	Jan. 24, 1916	Charles R. Hunt, Grand Captain of the Guard
Sutton	16	March 23, 1916	Everett C. Benton, Grand Senior Warden
Bethany	17	Jan. 31, 1916	William A. Seward, Grand Lecturer
Winslow Lewis	18	May 18, 1916	George W. Knowlton, Grand Lecturer
Jerusalem	19	April 20, 1916	Harry G. Pollard, Grand Junior Warden
Hugh de Payens	20	March 8, 1916	William J. Bolton, Grand Captain General
St. Omer	21	April 17, 1916	James S. Blake, Grand Lecturer
Berkshire	22	April 10, 1916	Henry C. Dexter, Grand Standard Bearer
Connecticut Valley	23	May 2, 1916	Everett C. Benton, Grand Senior Warden
Woonsocket	24	March 14, 1916	J. Fred Parker, Grand Lecturer
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	March 29, 1916	William H. Emerson, Grand Generalissimo
Joseph Warren	26	March 6, 1916	William H. Emerson, Grand Generalissimo
Narragansett	27	March 1, 1916	Asa C. Jewett, Grand Sword Bearer
William Parkman	28	April 13, 1916	James S. Blake, Grand Lecturer
Bristol	29	April 7, 1916	Everett C. Benton, Grand Senior Warden
Northampton	30	May 8, 1916	Henry C. Dexter, Grand Standard Bearer
South Shore	31	April 27, 1916	J. Fred Parker, Grand Lecturer
Trinity	32	May 17, 1916	William H. Emerson, Grand Generalissimo
Natick	33	March 13, 1916	William A. Seward, Grand Lecturer
Cœur de Lion	34	April 18, 1916	Asa C. Jewett, Grand Sword Bearer
Gethsemane	35	Jan. 25, 1916	William H. Emerson, Grand Generalissimo
Olivet	36	April 5, 1916	William J. Bolton, Grand Captain General
Athol	37	Feb. 16, 1916	Charles R. Hunt, Grand Captain of the Guard
Bay State	38	Feb. 21, 1916	George W. Knowlton, Grand Lecturer
Cyprus	39	Feb. 24, 1916	J. Fred Parker, Grand Lecturer
St. Paul	40	April 28, 1916	George W. Knowlton, Grand Lecturer
Beauseant	41	March 27, 1916	Clarence M. Dunbar, Grand Lecturer
Cambridge	42	March 28, 1916	Samuel D. Sherwood, Deputy Grand Commander
Bethlehem	43	Jan. 10, 1916	William H. Beattie, Grand Lecturer
St. George	44	March 9, 1916	James S. Blake, Grand Lecturer
Orange	45	April 14, 1916	Asa C. Jewett, Grand Sword Bearer
Ivanhoe	46	March 7, 1916	William H. Beattie, Grand Lecturer
Quincy	47	Jan. 24, 1916	William H. Beattie, Grand Lecturer

Report of Inspections—*Continued*

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery	Members in Knight Templar Uniform Present at Conclave	Members not in Uniform	Visitors Present other than the Suite	Inspecting Officer and his Suite	Total Present	Members Paying Dues	Life Members	Members Exempted by the By-laws	Members Exempted by Vote	Total Active Membership	Honorary Members (not Active)
St. John's	1	Providence, R.I.	402	4	41	80	527	877	159	....	1	1037	2
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	140	35	55	72	302	733	320	....	...	1053	....
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	74	8	25	22	129	225	....	3	4	232	2
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.	90	11	19	14	134	236	3	....	7	246	1
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	95	32	15	31	173	469	219	....	...	688	1
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	133	27	12	28	200	916	22	27	1	966	1
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	219	6	21	80	326	720	115	20	...	855	1
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.	186	6	48	53	293	388	55	....	1	444	1
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	222	8	28	74	332	457	19	....	37	513	....
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	66	25	28	54	173	314	7	13	14	348	....
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	60	21	10	13	104	197	17	2	...	216	....
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	43	...	1	16	60	108	4	1	1	114	6
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	309	1	44	87	441	597	51	....	13	661	1
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	130	5	31	30	196	264	39	4	...	307	....
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	54	17	12	12	95	251	3	9	...	263	4
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	126	11	20	26	183	420	35	1	6	426	....
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	51	26	7	12	96	314	62	....	2	378	....
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	97	20	52	76	245	269	1	11	...	281	....
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	75	1	5	15	97	295	17	3	10	325	3
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	149	13	46	42	250	443	25	51	...	519	....
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	97	31	34	39	201	394	60	....	...	454	....
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	53	25	6	10	94	322	....	....	...	322	....
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	40	9	32	25	106	240	....	2	5	247	1
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.	65	6	9	12	92	299	6	....	...	305	....
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	76	51	35	40	202	393	17	4	...	414	....
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	155	12	58	42	267	389	75	14	...	479	2
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.	57	...	11	10	76	167	6	....	...	173	1
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	83	42	50	33	208	322	13	4	16	355	....
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	105	9	36	24	174	328	13	3	...	344	....
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	40	12	14	16	82	242	6	2	4	254	3
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	75	21	17	23	136	190	13	2	3	208	3
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	80	3	11	10	104	283	4	....	2	289	1
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	43	16	21	17	97	209	8	5	...	222	....
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	245	1	58	63	367	512	27	14	...	553	....
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	150	...	37	37	224	426	13	....	...	439	3
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	70	58	27	38	193	325	68	3	...	396	....
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	50	24	12	10	96	211	....	....	2	213	2
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	114	27	21	32	194	418	64	14	1	497	1
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	62	13	21	18	114	334	4	....	2	340	1
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	68	22	27	9	126	253	....	2	2	257	1
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	126	4	57	64	251	373	8	19	...	400	4
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	99	46	64	43	252	397	41	4	...	442	8
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	59	...	4	16	79	147	3	....	...	150	....
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	62	8	6	30	106	164	....	....	...	164	1
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	54	11	16	11	92	155	....	....	...	155	3
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	46	8	4	8	66	149	3	....	...	152	1
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	75	14	19	17	125	252	....	6	1	259	3

Report of Inspections—*Continued*

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	No. of Knight Templar Regalias owned by Members of the Commandery	No. of Templar Coats owned by Members	The Order Exemplified	Rendition of Ritual	Floor Work	The Military Appearance was	The Military Movements were
St. Johns	1	750	500	*	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Boston	2	680	600	Temple	Very good	Very good	Excellent	Excellent
Newburyport	3	227	227	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Washington	4	212	144	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Worcester County	5	450	200	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Springfield	6	790	420	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
De Molay	7	535	512	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Holy Sepulchre	8	428	386	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Pilgrim	9	431	365	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Palestine	10	125	174	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Very good	Very good
Milford	11	189	134	Temple	Excellent	Good	Good	Good
St. Bernard	12	112	70	Red Cross	Good	Good	Good	Good
Calvary	13	624	624	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Haverhill	14	210	210	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Good
Old Colony	15	169	129	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Sutton	16	416	293	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Bethany	17	332	265	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Good	Good
Winslow Lewis	18	211	218	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Fair	Fair
Jerusalem	19	290	290	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Good	Good
Hugh de Payens	20	317	317	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
St. Omer	21	259	260	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Berkshire	22	289	283	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Connecticut Valley	23	163	137	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Woonsocket	24	192	181	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Good	Good
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	211	198	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Joseph Warren	26	300	300	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Narragansett	27	127	80	*	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
William Parkman	28	304	304	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Bristol	29	282	282	Temple	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Northampton	30	160	80	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Good	Good
South Shore	31	120	108	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Trinity	32	268	233	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Natick	33	150	125	Red Cross	Excellent	Good	Good	Good
Cœur de Lion	34	417	429	Red Cross	Very good	Excellent	Very good	Very good
Gethsemane	35	384	351	Red Cross	Good	Good	Very good	Very good
Olivet	36	358	314	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Athol	37	165	120	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Bay State	38	475	475	Temple	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Cyprus	39	187	177	Red Cross	Very good	Good	Fair	Fair
St. Paul	40	222	222	Temple	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Beauseant	41	314	314	Red Cross	Excellent	Very good	Very good	Very good
Cambridge	42	296	296	Red Cross	Very good	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Bethlehem	43	149	149	Temple	Very good	Very good	Good	Good
St. George	44	120	120	Red Cross	Very good	Very good	Very good	Very good
Orange	45	123	123	Red Cross	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Ivanhoe	46	136	136	Temple	Good	Good	Good	Very good
Quincy	47	159	159	Temple	Very good	Very good	Excellent	Excellent

*No report by inspecting officer.

Report of Inspections—*Continued*

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery	Appearance of Charter	Has the Commandery working copy of Charter?	How are Records kept and their appearance?	Do By-laws bear Seal of Grand Commandery?	Has the Commandery a Permanent Fund?
St. Johns	1	Providence, R. I.	*	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.	Good	No	Very good	Yes	Yes
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	Good	No	Good	Yes	Yes
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.	Good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	**	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.	*	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.	*	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Calvary	13	Providence, R. I.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.	Excellent	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.	Good	No	Very good	Yes	Yes
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	Very good	Yes	First class	Yes	Yes
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.	Very good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.	Good	No	Very good	Yes	Yes
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R. I.	Good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.	Excellent	No	Very good	**	Yes
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Very good	**	Yes
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R. I.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.	Good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	Very good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	**	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.	Good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	Good	No	Excellent	**	Yes
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.	Good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.	Very good	Yes	Very good	Yes	Yes
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.	Good	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.	Excellent	Yes	Excellent	Yes	Yes
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.	Very good	No	Very good	Yes	Yes
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.	Very good	No	Excellent	Yes	Yes

*Working copy only shown. **No report by inspecting officer.

Report of Inspections—*Continued*

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery	Prelate's Ritual	Combined Red Cross, Temple and Malta	Red Cross and Temple Rituals in possession of the proper officers	Condition of the Rituals
St. John's	1	Providence, R. I.	425	6950	2839, 2840	Fair
Boston	2	Boston, Mass	1500	5005, 4472, 2842	.....	Good
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	427	5253	2843, 2844, 4152	Good
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	428	5006	2845, 2846	Good
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass	429	5056	2847, 2848	Good
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass	430	5067	1706, 2850	Good
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass	431, 1508	5007	1428, 2851	Good
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	1260	5254	2853,:2854	Good
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass	1269	5008	2855, 2856	First class
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass	434	5255	2857, 5540	Fair
Milford	11	Milford, Mass	435	5009	2859, 5860	Good
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass	436	5256	2861, 2862	Good
Calvary	13	Providence, R. I	437	5004	2863, 2864	Good
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass	438	5258	2866, 4130	Good
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass	439	5010, 7384	2867	Good
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass	440	5068	2869, 2870	Good
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass	441	5259	2871, 2872	Good
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass	442	5260	445, 2873, 2874	Good
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass	443	5069	2875, 2876	Fair
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass	444	5261	2877, 2878	Good
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass	445	5070	2879, 2880	Good
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass	446	5262	2881, 2882	Good
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass	447	5011	4127, 2883	Fair
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R. I.	448	5012	2885, 2886	*
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass	449	5013	2887, 2888	Good
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass	450	5014	2889, 2890	Good
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R. I.	451	5071	2891, 2892	Good
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass	452	5072	2893, 2894	Good
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass	453	5073, 6827	2896	Fair
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass	454	5074	2898, 2897	Good
South Shore	31	East Weymouth, Mass	455	5263	2899, 2900	Good
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass	1648	5075	2901, 2902	Good
Natick	33	Natick, Mass	457	5264, 1032**	2903, 2904, 4395	Good
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass	458	5015, 1569	2906	Good
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass	459	5016	2907, 2908	Good
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass	460	5076	2909, 2910	Good
Athol	37	Athol, Mass	461	5077	2911, 4076	Good
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass	462	5265	2914, 4052	Fair
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass	463	5017	1398, 2916	Very good
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass	464	5018	2917, 2918	Good
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass	465	5266	2919, 2920	Very good
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass	466	5078	2921, 2922	Good
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass	467	5267	2923, 2924	Good
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass	468	5268	2925, 2926	Good
Orange	45	Orange, Mass	469	5079	2927, 4053	Very good
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass	1658	5019	2929, 2930	Good
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass	1527	6858, 6859, 6860	.....	Good

*Not reported by inspecting officer. **Malta ritual.

ADDRESSES OF RECORDERS

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery	Recorder	Address
St. John's	1	Providence, R. I.	Franklin A. Smith	25 Lenox Ave., Providence, R. I.
Boston	2	Boston, Mass	J. Gilman Waite	Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.	Chas. A. Stockman	153 High St., Newburyport, Mass.
Washington	4	Newport, R. I.	Thatcher T. Bowler	P.O. Box 13, Newport, R. I.
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass	William S. Dadmun	P.O. Box 578, Worcester, Mass.
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass	George B. Miller	4 Ct. House Pl., Springfield, Mass.
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass	Charles R. Magee	581 Boylston St., Boston, Mass.
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R. I.	John F. Clark	95 Broad St., Valley Falls, R. I.
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass	Charles B. Frederic	Wyman's Exch., Lowell, Mass.
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass	Martin J. Pleschinger	82 Washington Ave., Chelsea, Mass.
Milford	11	Milford, Mass	Herbert S. Eldredge	P.O. Box 51, Milford, Mass.
St Bernard	12	Boston, Mass	Richard W. Smith	50 Congress St., Boston, Mass.
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.	Joseph Baker, Jr	138 Ontario St., Providence, R. I.
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass	J. Fred Johnson	27 Sumner St., Haverhill, Mass.
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass	Isaac C. Howland	Abington, Mass.
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.	Damon W. Rice	P.O. Box 221, New Bedford, Mass.
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass	Charles H. Littlefield.	P.O. Box 584, Lawrence, Mass.
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass	Adelbert Dennett	235 Essex St., Salem, Mass.
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass	Frank D. Page	City Hall, Fitchburg, Mass.
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass	Byron G. Morgan	90 Bellevue Ave., Melrose, Mass.
St. Omer	21	Dorchester, Mass	Richard T. Williams.	34 G St., So. Boston, Mass.
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass	I. J. Barnfather	20 Bank Row, Pittsfield, Mass.
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass	Robert H. Snow	285 Federal St., Greenfield, Mass.
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R. I.	Harry H. Wardle	48 Highland St., Woonsocket, R. I.
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass	Wm. E. Blossom	472 June St., Fall River, Mass.
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass	Wm. H. Gerrish	43 West St., Boston, Mass.
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R. I.	Archie C. Thompson.	Drawer 510, Westerly, R. I.
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.	Edward H. Morse	29 Lexington St., E. Boston, Mass.
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass	W. W. Josselyn	8 Grove St., Attleboro, Mass.
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.	Charles H. Chase	7 Franklin St., Northampton, Mass.
South Shore	31	E. Weymouth, Mass	Eben H. Cain	387 Washington St., Boston, Mass
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass	Erwin B. Woodbury.	Green St., Hudson, Mass.
Natick	33	Natick, Mass	Harry M. Ferguson	Natick, Mass
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.	Wm. L. Barber	36 Marshall St., Somerville, Mass.
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.	Asa C. Jewett	11 Chesley Rd., Newton Cen., Mass.
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass	Lewis S. Urquhart	8 Bennett Circle, Lynn, Mass.
Athol	37	Athol, Mass	Frederick H. Lee	1477 Main St., Athol, Mass.
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass	Charles L. Chapin	73 Main St., Brockton, Mass
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass	Edward J. Ellis	38 Beacon St., Hyde Park, Mass.
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.	Harvey A. Gallup	North Adams, Mass.
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass	Wallace M. Corbin	18 Horace St., Malden, Mass.
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass	Charles M. Pear	279 Harvard St., Cambridge, Mass.
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass	John A. Radcliffe	27 Mt. Vernon St., Gloucester, Mass.
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass	Archie D. McFarlin	299 Cabot St., Beverly, Mass.
Orange	45	Orange, Mass	Fred A. Lamb	33 Water St., Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass	Charles E. Whitney	125 Pearl St., Gardner, Mass.
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass	Alfred H. Richards	56 So. Central Ave., Wollaston, Mass.

GRAND RECORDERS

Year Elected

Grand Commandery of	Year	Grand Recorder	Address
Alabama	1901	George A. Beauchamp	Montgomery
Arizona	1894	George J. Roskruge	Tucson
Arkansas	1899	Fay Hempsted	Little Rock
California	1898	William A. Davies	San Francisco
Colorado	1904	Charles H. Jacobson	Denver
Connecticut	1895	Eli C. Birdsey	Meriden
District of Columbia	1898	Arvine W. Johnston	Washington
Florida	1898	Wilber P. Webster	Jacksonville
Georgia	1909	Charles S. Wood	Savannah
Idaho	1914	Lewis W. Ensign	Boisé
Illinois	1911	Delmar D. Darrah	Bloomington
Indiana	1901	Calvin W. Prather	Indianapolis
Iowa	1902	David M. Brownlee	Sioux City
Kansas	1911	Albert K. Wilson	Topeka
Kentucky	1899	Alfred H. Bryant	Covington
Louisiana	1916	J. B. Parker	New Orleans
Maine	1891	Stephen Berry	Portland
Maryland	1888	John H. Miller	Baltimore
Mass. and Rhode Island	1891	Benjamin W. Rowell	Boston (206 Mas. Tem.)
Michigan	1914	Geo. T. Campbell	Owosso, Mich.
Minnesota	1906	John Fishel	St. Paul
Mississippi	1911	Oliver L. McKay	Meridian
Missouri	1906	Robert F. Stevenson	St. Louis
Montana	1907	Cornelius Hedges, Jr.	Helena
Nebraska	1899	Francis E. White	Omaha
New Hampshire	1910	Harry M. Cheney	Concord
New Jersey	1908	John M. Wright	Trenton
New Mexico	1902	Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque
New York	1904	John H. Bonnington	27 E. 21st St. N.Y.
North Carolina	1914	John B Griggs	Elizabeth City, N. C.
North Dakota	1910	Walter L. Stockwell	Fargo
Ohio	1886	John N. Bell	Dayton
Oklahoma	1904	George W. Spencer	Oklahoma City
Oregon	1893	James F. Robinson	Portland
Pennsylvania	1897	William W. Allen	Philadelphia
South Carolina	1914	Joseph Lindsey	Chester
South Dakota	1895	George A. Pettigrew	Sioux Falls
Tennessee	1916	Stith M. Cain	Nashville
Texas	1897	J. C. Kidd	Houston
Utah	1910	W. A. Raddon	Park City
Vermont	1902	Henry H. Ross	Burlington
Virginia	1895	James B. Blanks	Petersburg
Washington	1891	Yancey C. Blalock	Walla Walla
West Virginia	1903	Francis E. Nichols	Fairmount
Wisconsin	1900	William W. Perry	Milwaukee
Wyoming	1901	Adrian J. Parshall	Cheyenne
Grand Encampment, U.S.	1913	Frank H. Johnson	Louisville, Ky.
Canada	.....	Wm. H. Whyte, P.O. Box 1207	Montreal

GRAND COMMANDERS OF GRAND COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Grand Commandery of	Year	Grand Commander	Address
Alabama	1916	William W. Ransom	Birmingham, Ala.
Arizona	1916	Henry T. Southworth	Prescott, Ariz.
Arkansas	1916	John H. Fulson	Cotter, Ark.
California	1916	Elmer E Stone	San Francisco, Cal.
Colorado	1915	Benjamin L. James	Denver, Col.
Connecticut	1916	Albert W. Mattoon	New Haven, Conn.
District of Columbia	1916	Lem. Towers, Jr.	Washington, D. C.
Florida	1916	Frank B. Stoneham	Miami, Fla.
Georgia	1916	Robert L. Wylly	Thomasville, Ga.
Idaho	1915	George D. Aiken	Twin Falls, Idaho
Illinois	1916	Andrew J. Redmond	Oak Park, Ill.
Indiana	1916	James L. Randel	Greencastle, Ind.
Iowa	1916	James E. Bromwell	Marion, Ia.
Kansas	1916	Milton R. McLean	Wellington, Kans.
Kentucky	1916	Henry P. Barrett	Henderson, Ky.
Louisiana	1916	B. B. Purser	Amité, La.
Maine	1915	Edmund B. Mallett	Freeport, Maine
Maryland	1916	George W. Walther	Baltimore, Md.
Mass. and Rhode Island	1916	Samuel D. Sherwood	Springfield, Mass.
Michigan	1916	Fred A. Aldrich	Flint, Mich.
Minnesota	1916	Jesse Norton	Duluth, Minn.
Mississippi	1916	Walton G Grayson	Biloxi, Miss.
Missouri	1916	Charles F. Blomberg	St. Louis, Mo.
Montana	1916	Henry C. Smith	Miles City, Mont.
Nebraska	1916	Frank H. Young	Broken Bow, Neb.
New Hampshire	1916	Harvey B. Glidden	Claremont, N. H.
New Jersey	1916	Robert H. Ingersoll	Atlantic City, N. J.
New Mexico	1915	Amos W. Pollard	Deming, N. M.
New York	1916	William H. Patterson	470 1st St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
North Carolina	1916	Joseph F. Rhem	New Bern, N. C.
North Dakota	1916	Frank White	Valley City, N. D.
Ohio	1915	George H. Knight	Springfield, Ohio
Oklahoma	1916	James Q. Louthan	Ponco City, Okla.
Oregon	1916	William F. Laraway	Wood River, Ore.
Pennsylvania	1916	Andrew G. Williams	Butler, Pa.
South Carolina	1915	L. A. Melchers	Charleston, S. C.
South Dakota	1916	Clarence B. Witt	Mitchell, S. D.
Tennessee	1916	James N. Thompson	Memphis, Tenn.
Texas	1916	Guy W. Junker	Beaumont, Texas
Utah	1916	John M. Forristall	Ogden, Utah
Vermont	1916	Frank B. Putnam	Brattleboro, Vt.
Virginia	1915	Joseph T. Houck	Harrisonburg, Va.
Washington	1916	William H. Acuff	Spokane, Wash.
West Virginia	1916	Luther W. Blayney	Wheeling, W. Va.
Wisconsin	1915	David Harlow	Milwaukee, Wis.
Wyoming	1916	Robert I. Turner	Rawlins, Wyo.
Grand Encampment, U.S.A.	1916	Lee S. Smith	Pittsburgh, Pa.

REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER GRAND COMMANDERIES NEAR THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

Grand Commandery of	Representative	Residence
Alabama	R.·.E.·.Sir William H. H. Soule	Brookline, Mass.
Arizona	R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young	Boston, Mass.
Arkansas	E.·.Sir Frank E. Davis	Northampton, Mass.
California	E.·.Sir Richard W Smith	Boston, Mass.
Colorado	E.·.Sir Smith B. Harrington	Wollaston Heights, Mass.
Connecticut	E.·.Sir Arthur W. Dennis	Providence, R. I.
District of Columbia	E.·.Sir George T. Coppins	Newton, Mass.
Florida	E.·.Sir Henry C. Dexter	Providence, R. I.
Georgia	E.·.Sir Henry G. Jordan	Boston, Mass.
Idaho	E.·.Sir Judson C. Mackenzie	Fall River, Mass.
Illinois	R.·.E.·.Sir Frederick I. Dana	Providence, R. I.
Indiana	R.·.E.·.Sir Edwin A. Blodget	Springfield, Mass.
Iowa	R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding	Malden, Mass.
Kansas	E.·.Sir Albert L. Anthony	Providence, R. I.
Kentucky	R.·.E.·.Sir John P. Sanborn	Newport, R. I.
Louisiana	E.·.Sir George E Stacy	Milford, Mass.
Maryland	R.·.E.·.Sir Walter W. Burnham	Providence, R. I.
Maine	R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey	Boston, Mass.
Minnesota	E.·.Sir James S. Blake	Brookline, Mass.
Mississippi	E.·.Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
Missouri	E.·.Sir Harry G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
Montana	R.·.E.·.Sir Winthrop Messenger	Melrose, Mass.
Nebraska	E.·.Sir William H. Emerson	Brockton, Mass..
New Hampshire	R.·.E.·.Sir George L. Shepley	Providence, R. I.
New Jersey	E.·.Sir William J. Bolton	Athol, Mass.
New Mexico	R.·.E.·.Sir Dana J. Flanders	Malden, Mass.
New York	R.·.E.·.Sir George H. Allen	Lynn, Mass.
North Carolina	R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle	Newton, Mass.
North Dakota	E.·.Sir Charles E. Pierce	South Boston, Mass.
Ohio	R.·.E.·.Sir Charles I. Litchfield	Plymouth, Mass.
Oklahoma	R.·.E.·.Sir Caleb Saunders	Lawrence, Mass.
Oregon	E.·.Sir Harry P. Ballard	Malden, Mass.
Pennsylvania	E.·.Sir Arthur G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
South Carolina	E.·.Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
South Dakota	E.·.Sir Asa C. Jewett	Newton Centre, Mass.
Tennessee	E.·.Sir J. Gilman Waite	Medford, Mass.
Texas	R.·.E.·.Sir J. Albert Blake	Malden, Mass.
Utah	Rev. and E.·.Sir R. Perry Bush	Chelsea, Mass.
Vermont	E.·.Sir Isaac Chase	Cambridge, Mass.
Virginia	E.·.Sir Charles C. Spellman	Springfield, Mass.
Washington	E.·.Sir J. Fred Parker	Providence, R. I.
West Virginia	E.·.Sir George H. Grant	Providence, R. I.
Wisconsin	R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Johnson	Worcester, Mass.
Wyoming	E.·.Sir Eugene A. Holton	Boston, Mass.

REPRESENTATIVES OF THIS GRAND COMMANDERY NEAR OTHER GRAND COMMANDERIES

Grand Commandery of	Representatives	Residence
Alabama	R.·.E.·.Sir Russell M. Cunnigham,	Birmingham, Ala.
Arizona	E.·.Sir George J. Roskruge	Tucson, Ariz.
Arkansas	R.·.E.·.Sir J. B. Grove	Marianna, Ark.
California	E.·.Sir Albert E. Boynton	San Francisco, Cal.
Colorado	R.·.E.·.Sir Lawrence N. Greenleaf	Denver, Colo.
Connecticut	R.·.E.·.Sir Eli C. Birdsey	Meriden, Conn.
District of Columbia	R.·.E.·.Sir Gratz E. Dunkum	Washington, D.C.
Florida	E.·.Sir Charles H. Ketchum	Key West, Fla.
Georgia	E.·.Sir Joseph K. Orr	Atlanta, Ga.
Idaho	E.·.Sir Byron E. Hyatt	Boisé, Idaho
Illinois	R.·.E.·.Sir Stuart E. Pierson	Carrollton, Ill.
Indiana	R.·.E.·.Sir Leonidas P. Newby	Knightstown, Ind.
Iowa	E.·.Sir Wilbur F. Fidlar	Davenport, Iowa
Kansas	R.·.E.·.Sir Edward W Wellington	Ellsworth, Kans.
Kentucky	R.·.E.·.Sir Lee D. Ray	Owensboro, Ky.
Louisiana	E.·.Sir W. B. Pyron	Shreveport, La.
Maryland	R.·.E.·.Sir Charles F. Bennett	Baltimore, Md.
Maine	E.·.Sir Franklin R. Redlon	Portland, Maine
Minnesota	E.·.Sir Alonzo T. Stebbins	Rochester, Minn.
Mississippi	E.·.Sir E. R. McShane	Greenwood, Miss.
Missouri	R.·.E.·.Sir John R. Parson	St. Louis, Mo.
Montana	R.·.E.·.Sir Joseph Hindson	Helena, Mont.
Nebraska	E.·.Sir Eben K. Long	Omaha, Neb.
New Hampshire	E.·.Sir Charles S. Parker	Concord, N. H.
New Jersey	R.·.E.·.Sir William H. Sebring	Plainfield, N. J.
New Mexico	E.·.Sir Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque, N.M.
New York	E.·.Sir John E. Sparrow	Brooklyn, N. Y.
North Carolina	E.·.Sir James K. Norfleet	Winston, N. C.
North Dakota	E.·.and Rev. Sir Laurence G. Moultrie	Valley City, N.D.
Ohio	E.·.Sir Levi C. Goodale	Cincinnati, Ohio
Oklahoma	R.·.E.·.Sir Ira B. Kirkland	Muskogee, Okla.
Oregon	E.·.Sir Ralph D. Robinson	Portland, Ore.
Pennsylvania	R.·.E.·.Sir James H. Codding	New York, N.Y.
South Carolina	E.·.Sir J. L. Carson	Spartanburg, S. C.
South Dakota	E.·.Sir Frederick S. Williams	Pierre, S. D.
Tennessee	E.·.Sir George L. Cowan	Franklin, Tenn.
Texas	E.·.Sir John C. Kidd	Houston, Texas
Utah	E.·.Sir Harry C. Baker	Ogden, Utah
Vermont	E.·.Sir George H. Gorham	Bellows Falls, Vt.
Virginia	R.·.E.·.Sir A. W. Traylor	Danville, Va.
Washington	E.·.Sir John H. Shaw	Spokane, Wash.
West Virginia	E.·.Sir Prescott C. White	Morgantown, W.Va.
Wisconsin	R.·.E.·.Sir Herbert N. Laflin	Milwaukee, Wis.
Wyoming	E.·.Sir Francis E. Warren	Cheyenne, Wyo.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Your Grand Recorder has received from all sources the sum of $9,961.45, as follows:

From the sale of "Grant's Tactics"	$3.50
From the sale of Diplomas	9.00
From the sale of Certificates	25.75
From the sale of Constitutions	46.00
From Annual Dues of Subordinate Commanderies	8,677.20
From amount of appropriation by Grand Commandery returned by Representatives to the Grand Encampment, viz.: R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle, R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin A. Blodgett, and E.∴Sir Wm. H. Emerson, $400 each	1,200.00
Making total receipts	$9,961.45

All of which has been paid to the Grand Treasurer.

Your Grand Recorder has on sale for the benefit of Grand Commandery, 103 Certificates at 25 cents each; 42 "Grant's Tactics" at 50 cents each; 58 Constitutions at $2.00 each.

Respectfully submitted,

Grand Recorder.

REPORT OF THE GRAND TREASURER

In Grand Commandery

Boston, October 25, 1916.

The Grand Treasurer has the honor to present the following report of the transactions of his office for the Templar year ending at date.

HIS RECEIPTS HAVE BEEN

From cash as per last report		$7,883.73
From B. W. Rowell, Grand Recorder, annual collections	$8,761.45	
From Refunds (Triennial account)	1,200.00	9,961.45
From Roland O. Lamb, Treasurer of Trustees (income Grand Fund)		1,545.46
From Frederick I. Dana, Grand Commander, refund (Triennial account)		178.39
From Pomham Club (refund)		10.00
From Trustees on bank deposits		105.76
Total receipts		$19,684.79

HIS PAYMENTS HAVE BEEN

For printing	$1,296.63
For rentals	1,235.26
For officers' salaries	1,460.00
For 10% receipts for collections paid Trustees	876.14
For inspections	1,340.82
For annual dues to Grand Encampment	917.00
For collations and cigars	1,143.00
For postage and stationery	12.43
For use of telephone	54.10
For Past Grand Commander's jewel	125.00
For Contingent Fund of Grand Commander	200.00

For premium on officers' bonds and insurance	$53.40	
For Memorial Tablet at Providence	34.11	
For charter membership in George Washington Memorial Association	100.00	
For expenses of committee in arranging for Triennial of 1919	76.00	
For Triennial expenses at Los Angeles the present year	5,500.00	
For incidental expenses	41.80	
Total payments	$14,465.69	
Balance to new account	5,219.10	
		$19,684.79
The expenses of the Triennial as reported above were		5,500.00
From this sum should be taken the refund as reported above		1,378.39
The actual expenses of the Triennial at Los Angeles were		$4,121.61

Courteously submitted,

E. BENTLEY YOUNG,
Grand Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GRAND FUND

ROLAND O. LAMB, *Treasurer, in account with the Trustees of the Grand Fund of the Grand Commandery, K.T., of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, for the year ending with October* 25, 1916.

RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR IN MONTHS OF

November, 1915, and May, 1916, from			
Boston Elevated St. Ry. Co.	$1,000.00	4½%	$45.00
December, 1915, and June, 1916, from			
Old Colony Railroad Co.	2,000.00	4%	80.00
January and July, 1916, from			
City of Pawtucket	1,000.00	4%	40.00
City of St. Paul	1,000.00	4½%	45.00
Boston & Maine R.R. Co.	1,000.00	4½%	45.00
Boston & Providence R.R. Co.	3,000.00	4%	120.00
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	3,000.00	4%	120.00
February and August, 1916, from			
Boston & Maine R.R. Co.	3,000.00	4%	120.00
Old Colony R.R. Co.	1,000.00	4%	40.00
March and September, 1916, from			
Milwaukee County	1,000.00	5%	50.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co.	4,000.00	4%	160.00
Baltimore & Ohio R.R. Co.	1,000.00	4½%	45.00
April and October, 1916, from			
City of Cleveland	2,000.00	4%	80.00
Cuyahoga County	1,000.00	5%	50.00
Fitchburg R.R. Co.	2,000.00	4%	80.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé R.R. Co.	7,000.00	4%	280.00
Boston & Maine R.R. Co. October interest, $112.50, not yet paid.	5,000.00	4½%	112.50
October, 1915, to October, 1916, from			
First Nat. Bank, interest on deposits			15.71
Home Savings Bank, interest eighteen months			36.96
			$1,565.17

EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR

October, 1915, collection fee on check Cuyahoga Co.	$ .10	
Bond of Treasurer one year to November 15, 1916	50.00	
Rent Safe Deposit Vault, one year, to January 15, 1917	10.00	
Accrued interest on $1,000 4½% Bond of the Baltimore & Ohio R.R., due March 1, 1933, for three months and five days, purchased December 7, 1915	11.88	$71.98
		$1,493.19

NET INCOME FOR THE YEAR

Balance rendered October 26, 1915	$2,665.81	
Paid E. Bentley Young, Grand Treasurer, November 9, 1915, the net income of the Fund for year ending October 26, 1915, as per order of the Grand Commandery	1,545.46	
		1,120.35
Received from E. Bentley Young, Grand Treasurer, October 17, 1916, one tenth of the income of Grand Commandery for year 1916		876.14
		$3,489.68
December 7, 1915, bought of Baker, Ayling & Co., Baltimore & Ohio R.R. Co. Bond of $1,000, No. 29120, due March, 1933, 4½% interest, at 96⅞	$968.75	
Interest from Home Savings Bank added to principal	36.96	1,005.71
Balance in First National Bank		$2,483.97

ROLAND O. LAMB, *Treasurer,*
ARTHUR G. POLLARD,
E. BENTLEY YOUNG,
Trustees.

BOSTON, October 23, 1916.

The receipts and expenditures as per above statement were examined and found correct.

JNO. M. RAYMOND,
JAMES M. GLEASON,
ALBERT L. ANTHONY,
Finance Committee.

OCTOBER, 1916

The Grand Fund, at par, is invested as follows:

Deposited in Home Savings Bank, Book 57076	$636.96
Deposited in First National Bank	2,483.97

IN BONDS

City of Pawtucket, 4%, due July, 1950, No. 58	$1,000.00
City of St. Paul, 4½%, due July, 1918, No. 7022	1,000.00
City of Cleveland 4%, due October, 1918, No. 5390 Reg.	2,000.00
Milwaukee County 5%, due September, 1926, No. 369	1,000.00
Cuyahoga County 5%, due April, 1922, No. 24	1,000.00
Boston & Maine R.R. Co. 4%, due February, 1937, No. 360 Reg.	3,000.00
Boston & Maine R.R. Co. 4½%, due January, 1944, No. 239	1,000.00
Boston & Maine R.R. Co. 4½%, due April, 1929, Nos. 3133–37, incl.	5,000.00
Fitchburg R.R. Co. 4%, due April, 1927, No. C1818–19	2,000.00
Boston & Providence R.R. Co. 4%, due July, 1918, Nos. 1204, 2091–92	3,000.00
Old Colony R.R. Co. 4%, due December, 1925, Nos. 2355–56	2,000.00
Old Colony R.R. Co. 4%, due February, 1924, No. 890	1,000.00
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co. 4%, due March, 1947, Nos. 2124–5–6, 2130	4,000.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé 4%, due October, 1995, Nos. 43757–58, $1,000 each; D05858–59, 05069, 14332, 14335–36, 34839, 36000, 49939–40, $500 each	7,000.00
Baltimore & Ohio R.R. Co. 4½%, due March, 1933, No. 29120	1,000.00
Boston Elevated S. Ry. Co. 4½%, due November, 1941, No. 3875	1,000.00
American Tel. & Tel. Co. 4%, due July, 1929, Nos. 49957–8–9	3,000.00
	$42,120.93

BALANCE SHEET

Balance at par October 26, 1915 . . .		$41,265.81
Paid the Grand Treasurer		1,545.46
		$39,720.35
Received from Grand Treasurer, 1916	$876.14	
Amount to bring B. & O. R.R. Bond to par	31.25	907.39
		$40,627.74
Net Income for year 1915–16		1,493.19
Balance as above		$42,120.93

ROLAND O. LAMB,
Treasurer for Trustees.

BOSTON, October 23, 1916.

This is to certify that we have this day verified the Bank Balances and examined the above securities and find them to agree with above list.

JNO. M. RAYMOND,
JAMES M. GLEASON,
ALBERT L. ANTHONY,
Finance Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

BOSTON, October 25, 1916.

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Recorder, Grand Treasurer, and Trustees of the Grand Fund, and find the same correct, all payments being supported by proper vouchers.

They have also examined the property in the possession of the Grand Recorder and the Securities held by the Trustees of the Grand Fund, and find their reports correct as rendered.

The receipts of the Grand Recorder have been as follows:

From dues of Subordinate Commanderies . . .	$8,677.20
From sale of Constitutions	46.00
From sale of certificates	25.75
From sale of diplomas	9.00
From sale of "Grant's Tactics"	3.50
From Appropriation for Triennial Conclave, returned	1,200.00
Making a total of	$9,961.45

which amount has been paid to the Grand Treasurer and receipts given therefor.

The receipts of the Grand Treasurer have been as follows:

Cash balance as per last report		$7,883.73
Received from B. W. Rowell, Grand Recorder .		9,961.45
Received from income of the Grand Fund for 1915		1,545.46
Interest on bank deposits		105.76
Refund on Triennial account . . .	$178.39	
Refund from Pomham Club . . .	10.00	
		188.39
Making a total of		$19,684.79

His payments have been as follows:

Sundry accounts, detailed as per his report, vouchers for same being approved	$12,672.55
Dues to the Grand Encampment of the U. S. . .	917.00
Paid to Trustees of the Grand Fund, one tenth Annual Receipts	876.14
Balance on hand, as per his report	5,219.10
Making a total of	$19,684.79

Your committee would recommend that the salary of the Grand Treasurer be three hundred ($300) dollars and that of the Grand Recorder one thousand ($1,000) dollars for the ensuing year.

Your committee would also recommend that the amount of the Contingent Fund for the Grand Commander be two hundred ($200) dollars for the ensuing year.

Courteously submitted,

JOHN M. RAYMOND,
JAMES M. GLEASON,
ALBERT L. ANTHONY,
Committee.

On motion the several reports were accepted and the recommendations therein contained adopted by unanimous vote.

INCOME OF THE GRAND FUND

On motion of the Grand Treasurer it was ordered that net income of the Grand Fund for 1916 be paid to the Grand Treasurer.

TELEGRAM RECEIVED

The Grand Recorder read the following telegram, which was ordered to be made a part of the record.

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA.

BENJAMIN W. ROWELL,

Grand Recorder, Grand Commandery Massachusetts and Rhode Island, K. T., 206 Masonic Temple, Boston, Mass.

My best wishes to my fraters of your Grand Jurisdiction for a happy and profitable conclave.

PERRY W. WEIDNER,
Grand Warder.

ADDRESS OF THE R∴E∴GRAND COMMANDER R∴E∴SIR FREDERICK I. DANA

THE GRAND COMMANDER OF KNIGHTS TEMPLARS AND THE APPENDING ORDERS OF MASSACHUSETTS AND RHODE ISLAND

Eminent Sir Knights:

As Grand Commander I offer to you my personal felicitations, and extend to you a hearty and cordial welcome to this the One Hundred Eleventh Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. Amid the cares and responsibilities of active business life, and in a world full of struggle, — and now rent by cruel, relentless war, more horrible and awful than anything before in the world history, — amid the almost hopelessness of universal greed, selfishness, and personal ambition, it is well at times like these to pause as Christian Sir Knights and take account of our stock of devotion, and renew our faithfulness to the principles of the Great Captain of our Salvation, whose simple faith and divine purpose is so well expressed by his admonition, "Love one another." May the divine spirit of God rest on this magnanimous Order of Christian Knighthood, guide its conduct, and direct its deliberations.

NECROLOGY

As Christian Knights enrolled under the banner of the cross we are continually reminded that we were born to die.

Day by day the grim reaper Death swings his scythe, and our valiant Knights, sworn to fight the lying deceits and vanities of this world, pass to the great unknown, and to their reward.

The earthly ties of Friendship, Comradeship, and Family are rudely broken, hearts ache and tears fall. Then tender

memories break the spell and open up the vista wherein lies many examples of love, devotion, faithfulness, and heroism to guide our lives, and bring peace to our troubled minds.

Death has its lessons of opportunity and inspiration, more lasting even than those of life.

Sir Knights, let us strive to grasp these opportunities with willing hands, and let the inspiration of simple, noble lives well spent stimulate us to deeds of more exalted usefulness.

E.·.Sir George L. Lang. Past Commander of Cyprus Commandery, No. 39, K. T. Born in Huntington, Ohio, February 15, 1843, died in Chattanooga, Tennessee, November 13, 1915. Graduate of Oberlin College. Served during the War of the Rebellion, in the Wisconsin Infantry, Company G. His life work was in the telegraph business, and he occupied the highest offices with the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railway, the Pittsburg, Cincinnati & St. Louis R.R., and the New England R.R.

He retired about ten years ago, and after the death of his wife made his home at the Mountain City Club, of Chattanooga, Tennessee.

He kept his membership in Cyprus Commandery to the time of his death.

Lookout Commandery, No. 14, of Chattanooga, Tennessee, took charge of his funeral and buried him at Wellington, Ohio, giving him a Commandery funeral, and Cyprus Commandery, and also the Grand Commandery, owe them a debt of gratitude for their knightly services.

He was a member at one time of the Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery of Hyde Park, but had taken his dimit from all but the Commandery.

E.·.Sir Richard Arey Atwood, born at Wellfleet, Massachusetts, April 12, 1846, died at Dorchester, Massachusetts, Wednesday, December 29, 1915.

Establishing himself in business in early life, he earned and maintained a high reputation for honesty, integrity, upright dealing, and fair fame among all who knew him.

For more than forty years he had been identified with the Masonic institution and served it in various ways as follows:

On the 25th December, 1873, he was raised a Master Mason in Mt. Tabor Lodge of East Boston, of which he was afterwards its Worshipful Master. On the 7th December, 1875, he was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in St. John's R. A. Chapter of East Boston, subsequently presiding over that body. On June 21, 1882, he received the Chivalric Orders in Boston Commandery, K. T., No. 2. Having served the Commandery through its various minor offices, in October, 1904, he was unanimously chosen its Commander, serving for two years, or until October, 1906.

He was also active in the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Massachusetts, serving that body as a member of its Committee on By-laws until December, 1904, when he was unanimously elected its Right Eminent Deputy Grand High Priest, serving for one year.

In social life he was a man of quiet tastes, firm in his friendships, courteous to every one, and beloved for his fine qualities by all who knew him.

E.·.Sir Charles Bertram Webster, Past Commander of Calvary Commandery, No. 13, K. T.

Sir Webster died suddenly, in Baltimore, Maryland, March 16, 1916.

He was born in Providence, Rhode Island, March 12, 1847.

Educated in the public schools of this city, he then entered business with his father and remained with him until 1876, when he went to New York and became identified with the firm of R. H. Macy & Co. and became the head of that firm in 1879.

Retiring from business in 1896 he devoted the remainder of his life to travels abroad.

He was a consistent contributor to charitable objects.

Sir Webster's Masonic record is as follows: Made a Master Mason in What Cheer Lodge, No. 21, May 21, 1869, and elected Worshipful Master November 13, 1874. Exalted in Providence

R. A. Chapter, No. 1, March 11, 1871. Greeted in Providence Council, Royal and Select Masters, March 11, 1870. Knighted in Calvary Commandery, No. 13, November 22, 1869, and was elected Eminent Commander December 5, 1876, and served one year in that office.

The funeral was from Trinity Chapel, New York City, and entombment at Swan Point Cemetery, Providence, Rhode Island, March 20, 1916.

Sir George F. Sumner. Generalissimo of Cyprus Commandery, No. 39, K. T. Died in office, March 27, 1916. He was born November 27, 1865.

Was a member of Orient Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of Norwood, Massachusetts, and was its Senior Warden at the time of his death.

Was a member of Hebron R. A. Chapter of Norwood.

He was a true and enthusiastic Mason and gave promise of being an efficient Commander of our Commandery.

E.·.Sir Orthello K. Merrill, Past Commander Springfield Commandery, No. 6, K. T., died at his home in Springfield, March 31st, aged sixty-seven years.

Eminent Sir Merrill was born in Manchester, New Hampshire, June 7, 1848, and when he was five years old moved with his parents to Thompsonville, Connecticut, and came to Springfield in 1861 and attended the high school and Burnham's Business College, and had been a bookkeeper and accountant, holding many honorable positions, and at the time of his death was chairman of the Board of Registration and Treasurer of the Masonic Hall Association of Springfield.

The Masonic history and service of Eminent Sir Merrill was extended and honorable.

He was raised in Hampden Lodge, F. & A. M., November 28, 1871, and was its Worshipful Master in 1888. He was exalted in Morning Star Chapter, R. A. M., May 31, 1872, and served as High Priest in 1882, and was elected treasurer in 1893 and served in that capacity up to the time of his death. He was advanced in Springfield Council, R. & S. M., August 7, 1872, and was Recorder in 1874, Conductor 1881–82, Deputy Master 1887–88, Thrice Illustrious Master, 1889. He was Knighted in Springfield Commandery, No. 6, K. T., June 5, 1872, and was elected Recorder in 1874–81, Captain General, 1882, Eminent Commander, 1883–85.

He received the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite degrees in Evening Star Lodge of Perfection January 4, 1883; Massasoit Council, P. of J., April 7, 1884, and a Charter Member of Springfield Chapter of Rose Croix, December 5, 1893, and has been secretary from his connection with the bodies.

E.·.Sir Henry Field, Jr., Past Commander and charter member of Sutton Commandery, passed away at his home, 55 State St., New Bedford, Massachusetts, May 15, 1916. Eminent Sir Field was one of two surviving charter members of Sutton Commandery. He was born at Bridgewater, Massachusetts, April 17, 1827. He was raised in Eureka Lodge December 13, 1861, exalted in Adoniram Royal Arch Chapter, New Bedford, Massachusetts, June 4, 1862, knighted in Calvary Commandery, Providence, Rhode Island, February 10, 1863, and was one of the original petitioners for the charter for Sutton Commandery in 1864 and served as its Commander in 1878 and 1879. He served the Grand Commandery as Grand Captain of the Guards in 1882 and 1883, and was a member of Massachusetts Consistory, A. A. S. R. He was for many years superintendent of the New Bedford Copper Works.

In politics Eminent Sir Field was one of the old-time Democrats and frequently took the stump in behalf of candidates for office in that party. He was an aggressive speaker at a time when there were comparatively few platform speakers in the interest of the Democratic party in his city. In those days, too, when the temperance question was uppermost he was always a ready speaker on the liberal side of that question.

Past E.·.Sir Russell B. Smith, Treasurer of Narragansett Commandery, died June 4, 1916.

Russell Brown Smith was born in Addison, Vermont, June

6, 1857. He was the son of Rufus and Harriet Brown Smith. He received his early education in the schools of his native town and then entered the Vermont Academy at Saxton's River. Later he was graduated from the Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons and in 1884 and 1885 served as interne in the Brooklyn, New York, hospital. He began the practice of his profession in Vergennes, Vermont, continuing for only a short time, and then took up his permanent abode in Westerly and here gained a wide popularity among his associate practitioners and the people of the town.

His funeral was held at his former residence and was largely attended by the members of the Masonic bodies and the community at large, particularly noticeable being the great number of school children, who came, not as part of the school, but as indication of the favor in which they held him.

He was made a Mason in Dorchester Lodge, No. 1, of Vergennes, Vermont, and affiliated with Franklin Lodge, No. 20, of Westerly, January 18, 1891, and served it as Master in 1908. He was exalted in Palmer Chapter, No. 28, R. A. M., in 1899, and was knighted in Narragansett Commandery, K. T., July 3, 1902, being Eminent Commander thereof in 1907–8. At the conclusion of his administration he was elected Treasurer and held that office at the time of his death. He was also a member of Palestine Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Providence, Rhode Island.

He served in the Spanish-American War as first lieutenant and assistant surgeon of the First Rhode Island Volunteers, and when the Volunteers were mustered out of service he continued as Medical Examiner for the Fifth Company, C. A. C., R. I. N. G. He was, up to the time of his death, medical examiner for the schools of Westerly.

Dr. Smith was married in Burlington, Vermont, November 22, 1904, to Miss Mabel L. Hopkins, daughter of George W. and Helen Hopkins, of that city. Besides his wife, he leaves one brother, Ezra Smith, of Addison, Vermont.

E.·.Sir Franklin D. Brigham. Past Commander of Cyprus Commandery, No. 39, K. T. Born in Worcester, Massachusetts, December 27, 1842. Died in Hyde Park, Massachusetts, June 5, 1916.

He was a member of Hyde Park Lodge, F. & A. M., Norfolk Royal Arch Chapter, Hyde Park Council, R. & S. M., Cyprus Commandery, No. 39, K. T.

For years he was engaged in the provision business in Hyde Park, but was obliged to retire on account of trouble in his lower limbs, and for the past few years had been confined to his home.

He was deeply interested in everything of a Masonic nature in this community.

He was a veteran of the Civil War and a member of the G. A. R. in this place.

E.·.Sir Newton Darling Arnold, Past Commander of St. John's Commandery, No. 1, K. T., died in Weekapaug, Rhode Island, August 13, 1916, in his seventy-third year.

Eminent Sir Arnold was born in Millville, Massachusetts, December 8, 1843. He was the son of William Buffum and Matilda Webb (Darling) Arnold.

He was made a Mason in St. John's Lodge, No. 1, of Providence, February 13, 1865, and in December, 1874, was elected Worshipful Master.

He was appointed Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island May 21, 1883, and at the May session, 1884, was elected Grand Master, serving one year.

He was exalted in Providence Royal Arch Chapter, No. 1, Providence, Rhode Island, October 26, 1865, and received the Cryptic Degrees in Providence Council, No. 1, Royal and Select Masters, January 12, 1866.

He was knighted in St. John's Commandery, No. 1, K. T., April 23, 1866, and was elected Eminent Commander at the December Conclave 1877, serving one year.

He received the thirty-second degree of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, allegiant to the Northern Jurisdiction, in Rhode Island Consistory, January 20, 1869; crowned honorary

member of the Supreme Council, thirty-third and last degree, June 17, 1870, and on September 20, 1882, was elected an active member of that body. In 1884 he was elected Deputy for Rhode Island, which office he held for a number of years. He was also Grand Treasurer General of the Supreme Council from 1891 to 1912.

E.·.Sir Lucien Lord, Past Commander, and the last, save one, of the charter members of Athol Commandery, passed to the Higher Life Sunday evening, September 24, 1916, after a long illness, at the age of seventy-six years.

Eminent Sir Lord was a native of and always lived in Athol, in which town all his business interests were centered. From early manhood he was active in some line or other, from newspaper work to retail bookstore and development of lands and large building operations.

Several of the more pretentious buildings of the town were erected by him.

In politics a most staunch Republican, he was postmaster from 1869 to 1888, representative to the Massachusetts House in 1891, besides holding numerous town offices.

He was assessor and town treasurer at the time of his death.

For many years actively connected with the Athol Savings Bank as a director and investor.

Eminent Sir Lord from a young man had been an earnest Unitarian and prominent in the denomination, and was for over thirty years superintendent of the Sunday school of the Second Unitarian Church in Athol.

In the early days of Masonry in Athol Eminent Sir Lord was one of the strongest pillars supporting the organizations, and gave much of time, money, and influence to keep alive the small struggling Blue Lodge, Chapter, and Commandery, serving in any capacity or station where and when needed.

He presided over Star Lodge and Athol Commandery, being Senior Past Master and Past Commander.

He leaves only brothers and sisters to keep his family memory green.

R.·.E.·.Sir George Holbrook Rhodes, a Past Commander of St. John's Commandery, No. 1, K. T., died in Poland Springs, Maine, October 19, 1916.

Eminent Sir Rhodes was born in Taunton, Massachusetts, August 11, 1848, the son of Marcus Morton and Rowena Adeline (Williams) Rhodes.

He was made a Mason April 20, 1870, passed May 25, 1870, raised June 22, 1870, in King David Lodge, of Taunton, Massachusetts, membership in Charles H. Titus Lodge of Taunton, Massachusetts, March 15, 1873, and was its Worshipful Master October, 1877, to October, 1879, and a charter member.

Exalted in Keystone R. A. Chapter, Foxboro, Massachusetts, June 20, 1872. A Super-Excellent Master January 28, 1873, in Taunton Council, and was Thrice Illustrious Master, February, 1885, to October, 1885. Knighted in St. John's Commandery, No. 1, K. T., January 19, 1874, and was Eminent Commander December, 1880, to December, 1881. Boston Lodge of Perfection, 14°, September 25, 1871; Giles F. Yates Council P. of J., 16°, October 6, 1871; Mt. Olivet Rose Croix Chapter, 18°, October 20, 1871; Massachusetts Consistory, 32°, November 3, 1871.

He received the thirty-third degree of the Scottish Rite at the meeting of the Supreme Council for the Northern Jurisdiction of the United States at the meeting held in Boston, September 21, 1897.

It may be of interest to note that Eminent Sir Rhodes served the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts as Junior Grand Steward December, 1881, to December, 1882; District Deputy Grand Master, December, 1882, to December, 1885; Grand Marshal, December, 1886, to December, 1889; Junior Grand Warden, December, 1889, to December, 1890.

E.·.Sir David Vining Poole, born in South Weymouth, Massachusetts, June 30, 1853, died in Abington, Massachusetts, December 18, 1915.

Most of his business life was spent in Boston with the shoe house of A. W. Clapp & Co., and later as credit man and head

bookkeeper of the Clark-Hutchinson Co. His residence was in Abington and he was identified with local affairs for many years, being trustee and auditor of the Abington Savings Bank; director of the Abington Mutual Fire Insurance Co. from 1889, auditor from 1892, vice-president from 1910 until his decease. He served as auditor of the town for eight years.

He was a lover of music and had been active in the old Abington Musical Society and in church choirs. He was chairman of the Committee on Music for the bi-centennial of the town of Abington in June, 1912.

He was a member and had served as secretary and as treasurer of the Abington Board of Trade. Was a director of the Mt. Vernon Cemetery Corporation, member of Wildey Lodge, I.O.O.F., of South Weymouth.

When by the death of the late George A. Beal, in March, 1909, the office of treasurer of the Abington Savings Bank became vacant, he was the immediate and unanimous choice of the trustees for this position, serving in that capacity with credit until his death.

His Masonic record began in 1882 and he was raised to the Sublime Degree July 24th. After serving in various offices he was elected Worshipful Master August 17, 1891, and served three years.

He was exalted to the degree of Royal Arch Mason in Pilgrim Royal Arch Chapter, January 26, 1883, was elected Excellent High Priest September 21, 1887, and served three years. In 1893 he received the appointment of District Deputy Grand High Priest, and served two years.

In Abington Council he received the Super-Excellent Degree May 18, 1883. Was chosen Thrice Illustrious Master October 24, 1890, and served three years.

In Old Colony Commandery the Orders were conferred in 1883. He was elected Eminent Commander September 17, 1894, and served three years, having served in other offices previous to being elected Eminent Commander, and September 10, 1900, was elected Recorder and served two years. He became Treasurer in April, 1909, and served until his death.

He was trustee of the Abington Masonic Association since its

incorporation January, 1888, and served as Treasurer from 1909.

Eminent Sir Poole was a member of the Worshipful Past Masters' Association of Southeastern Massachusetts, the Massachusetts Convention of High Priests and the Commanders' Union of Massachusetts.

Since he first knocked at the door of the Lodge for admission his help and advice have been asked and freely given on innumerable matters pertaining to our Masonic bodies, and his service to the Craft cannot be fully estimated.

On December 12, 1877, he was married to Augusta M. Everson, who, with a son, Jesse Vining Poole, survives him.

SISTER GRAND JURISDICTIONS

R.∴E.∴Sir John David Miles, Honorary Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Mississippi. Born at Natchez, Mississippi, March 15, 1829. Died at Vicksburg, Mississippi, March 27, 1916.

Rev. William Pickney Smith, Grand Prelate, Grand Commandery of South Carolina. Born at Spartanburg County, South Carolina, January 13, 1849. Died at Rock Hill, South Carolina, April 23, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir William Edward Risley, Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Connecticut. Born at Hockanum, Connecticut, April 30, 1844. Died at Newtonville, Massachusetts, July 4, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir Augustus Ogden Wellman, Past Grand High Priest, Past Grand Junior Warden of the Grand Commandery of Kansas. Born at Brookline, Massachusetts, December 19, 1854. Died at Topeka, Kansas, July 10, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir Edward Ross Hare, Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Washington. Born at Mount Pleasant, Iowa, March 25, 1857. Died at Tacoma, Washington, July 16, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir WILLIAM DANIEL STITES, Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Dakota. Born at Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, September 12, 1844. Died at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, July 17, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir ADAM H. SCHMEHL, Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania. Born at Reading, Berks County, Pennsylvania, May 15, 1852. Died at Reading, Pennsylvania July 24, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir SAMUEL STEVENS BUIST, Senior Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of South Carolina. Born at Charleston, S. C., June 7, 1849. Died at Charleston, South Carolina, August 13, 1916.

R.∴E.∴Sir JOHN JOSEPH SEAY, Past Grand Commander, Grand Commandery of Georgia. Born at Decatur, Georgia, November 10, 1843. Died at Rome, Georgia, August 17, 1916.

GENERAL DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

Conforming to the custom established during the last two or three years, I issued the following General Dispensations for the observance of St. John's Day.

OFFICE OF THE R.∴E.∴GRAND COMMANDER,
86 WEYBOSSET STREET, PROVIDENCE, R. I.

GENERAL ORDERS, No. 3
SERIES OF 1915–1916

To the Eminent Commanders, Officers, and Sir Knights of the Jurisdiction of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Greeting: In order that the several Commanderies of this jurisdiction may observe the anniversary of St. John's Day by a Pilgrimage or Field Day.

I, by virtue of the power in me vested as the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, hereby grant this, my dispensation, authorizing

the Commanderies throughout this jurisdiction to parade within this jurisdiction in full Templar uniform, with or without banners and music, during the period between and including the first and the thirtieth days of June, 1916, for the purpose of celebrating the anniversary of St. John's Day, making fraternal visitations, or for other purposes.

Due and proper return to be made to me of the action had under this authority within thirty days of its acceptance, and this dispensation filed in the archives of the Commandery and spread in full upon the records.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery this eighteenth day of May, A.D. 1916, A.O. 798.

FREDERICK I. DANA,
[SEAL] *Grand Commander.*

ATTEST:
B. W. ROWELL,
Grand Recorder.

Under the foregoing dispensation, the following Commanderies have reported their action, as follows:

St. John's Commandery, No. 1, Milford Commandery, No. 11, Woonsocket Commandery, No. 24, Narragansett Commandery, No. 27, and Bristol Commandery, No. 29, held a joint outing at Westerly and Watch Hill, June 24, 1916, having as their guest, Palestine Commandery of New London, Connecticut.

Boston Commandery, No. 2, made a trip by autos to Bass Rock, Gloucester, Mass., Saturday, June 24, 1916.

Haverhill Commandery, No. 14, spent three days, June 22–24, 1916, at the Hotel Wentworth, Newcastle, New Hampshire.

Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 20, attended St. John's Day at Melrose Orthodox Congregational Church, Sunday, June 25, 1916.

Connecticut Valley Commandery, No. 23, united with Beauseant Commandery of Brattleboro, Vermont, in St. John's

Day celebration at Pine Grove Spring, Chesterfield, New Hampshire.

William Parkman Commandery, No. 28, made a pilgrimage to Bangor, Maine, June 23–26, 1916.

Olivet Commandery, No. 36, Athol Commandery, No. 27, Orange Commandery, No. 45, and Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 46, spent the day, June 24, 1916, at Athol, Mass.

Beauseant Commandery, No. 41, made a pilgrimage to Lake Sunapee, New Hampshire, June 16–18, 1916.

Pilgrim Commandery, No. 90, Lowell, Mass., spent Saturday, June 24th, and Sunday, June 25th, at Manchester by the Sea.

Trinity Commandery made a pilgrimage to Boston and Plymouth, June 24, 1916.

Worcester County Commandery and Calvary Commandery joined in an outing June 24, 1916, spending the day in Providence and Rocky Point, taking a sail down Narragansett Bay.

These various pilgrimages and field days show continued and increasing interest in the observance of St. John's Day, which is much to be commended, and I hope that the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island will continue to give them encouragement.

SPECIAL DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

To Bristol Commandery, No. 29, to appear in public in full Templar regalia, with or without banners and music, as the occasion may require, to act as escort to the Grand Lodge of Masons of Massachusetts at the laying of the cornerstone of the Post Office Building in North Attleboro, Massachusetts, Saturday, May 27, 1916.

To Beauseant Commandery, No. 41, of Malden, Massachusetts, to visit New Hampshire, June 16th, 17th, and 18th, for an outing at Lake Sunapee, and to appear in full Templar uniform, with music and banners. Dispensation is also granted by Garvin R. Magoon, Grand Commander of New Hampshire, to enter said jurisdiction as above.

To Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19, of Fitchburg, Massachusetts, to make pilgrimage to Portland, Maine, about the 23d, 24th, or 25th of June, and to parade in uniform, with music and banners. Consent and dispensation of Grand Commander of Maine granted.

To Palestine Commandery of Chelsea, Massachusetts, to hold joint outing with St. Alban Commandery of Portland, at Scarboro Beach, and to parade in full Templar uniform, with music and banners. Consent and dispensation of Grand Commander of Maine granted.

To Connecticut Valley Commandery, No. 23, to unite with Beauseant Commandery of Brattleboro, Vermont, in St. John's Day celebration at Ping Grove Spring, Chesterfield, New Hampshire, and to parade in full Templar uniform, with music and banners.

To William Parkman Commandery, No. 28, to make a pilgrimage to Bangor, Maine, on or about the 24th of June, and to parade in uniform, with music and banners.

To Cœur de Lion Commandery to make extended pilgrimage, accompanied by their ladies, to Asbury Park, New Jersey, the Catskill Mountains and New York City in New York, from September 1st to 10th inclusive, and to appear in fatigue uniform, but without music and banners.

To Boston Commandery, K. T., No. 2, to appear in full Templar regalia, with banners and music, on Saturday, September 9th, for the purpose of joining with DeMolay Commandery, No. 7, in an outing to the New Ocean House, Swampscott, Massachusetts.

To De Molay Commandery, to appear in public with uniforms, banners, and a band, on Saturday, September 9, 1916, for the purpose of participating in a joint outing with Boston Commandery, to Swampscott, Massachusetts.

KNIGHTLY COURTESIES RECEIVED

R.∴E.∴Edmund B. Mallett, Grand Commander of Maine, courteously granted dispensations, permitting all the Commanderies visiting Maine to enter that jurisdiction in full

Templar uniform, with or without music or banners, for the purpose of making pilgrimages or outings, on or about St. John's Day, during the month of June.

Similar courtesies were received from R.∴E.∴Garvin R. Magoon, Grand Commander of New Hampshire, and R.∴E.∴ Edward L. Bates, Grand Commander of Vermont.

From the Grand Commander of New Hampshire was also received a waiver of jurisdiction over Companion Warren Bodell, of Salem, New Hampshire, in favor of Haverhill Commandery, No. 14, of Haverhill, Massachusetts. Waiver of jurisdiction being granted by St. George Commandery of the Grand Commandery of New Hampshire.

KNIGHTLY COURTESIES GRANTED

To Palestine Commandery, of New London, to invade the jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Also permission for Taft Commandery, No. 8, located at Bennington, Vermont, Grand Commandery of Vermont, to make a fraternal visit in uniform, with music and banners, to Berkshire Commandery, No. 2, at Pittsfield, Massachusetts, June 22, 1916.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

This being Triennial year it became my duty to appoint Grand Representatives of Grand Commandery located near the other Grand Commanderies and the following were appointed:

Grand Commandery of	Representatives	Residence
Alabama	R.∴E.∴Sir Russell M Cunningham	Birmingham, Ala.
Arizona	E.∴Sir George J. Roskruge	Tucson, Ariz.
Arkansas	R.∴E.∴Sir J. B. Grove	Marianna, Ark.
California	E.∴Sir Albert E. Boynton	San Francisco, Cal.
Colorado	R.∴E.∴Sir Lawrence N. Greenleaf	Denver, Colo.
Connecticut	R.∴E.∴Sir Eli C. Birdsey	Meriden, Conn.
District of Columbia	R.∴E.∴Sir Gratz E. Dunkum	Washington, D.C.
Florida	E.∴Sir Charles H. Ketchum	Key West, Fla.
Georgia	E.∴Sir Joseph K. Orr	Atlanta, Ga.
Idaho	E.∴Sir Byron E. Hyatt	Boisé, Idaho
Illinois	R.∴E.∴Sir Stuart E. Pierson	Carrollton, Ill.
Indiana	R.∴E.∴Sir Leonidas P. Newby	Knightstown, Ind.
Iowa	E.∴Sir Wilbur F. Fidlar	Davenport, Iowa
Kansas	R.∴E.∴Sir Edward W Wellington	Ellsworth Kans.
Kentucky	R.∴E.∴Sir Lee D. Ray	Owensboro, Ky.
Louisiana	E.∴Sir W. B. Pyron	Shreveport, La.
Maryland	R.∴E.∴Sir Charles F. Bennett	Baltimore, Md.
Maine	E.∴Sir Franklin R. Redlon	Portland, Maine
Minnesota	E.∴Sir Alonzo T. Stebbins	Rochester, Minn.
Mississippi	E.∴Sir E. R. McShane	Greenwood, Miss.
Missouri	R.∴E.∴Sir John R. Parson	St Louis, Mo.
Montana	R.∴E.∴Sir Joseph Hindson	Helena, Mont.
Nebraska	E.∴Sir Eben K. Long	Omaha, Neb.
New Hampshire	E.∴Sir Charles S. Parker	Concord, N. H.
New Jersey	R.∴E.∴Sir William H. Sebring	Plainfield, N. J.
New Mexico	E.∴Sir Alpheus A. Keen	Albuquerque, N.M.
New York	E.∴Sir John E. Sparrow	Brooklyn, N. Y.
North Carolina	E.∴Sir James K. Norfleet	Winston, N. C.
North Dakota	E.∴and Rev. Sir Laurence G. Moultrie	Valley City, N D.
Ohio	E.∴Sir Levi C. Goodale	Cincinnati, Ohio
Oklahoma	R.∴E.∴Sir Ira B. Kirkland	Muskogee, Okla.
Oregon	E.∴Sir Ralph D. Robinson	Portland, Ore.
Pennsylvania	R.∴E.∴Sir James H. Codding	New York, N.Y.
South Carolina	E.∴Sir J. L. Carson	Spartanburg, S. C.
South Dakota	E.∴Sir Frederick S. Williams	Pierre, S. D.
Tennessee	E.∴Sir George L. Cowan	Franklin, Tenn.
Texas	E.∴Sir John C. Kidd	Houston, Texas
Utah	E.∴Sir Harry C. Baker	Ogden, Utah
Vermont	E.∴Sir George H. Gorham	Bellows Falls, Vt.
Virginia	R.∴E.∴Sir A. W. Traylor	Danville, Va.
Washington	E.∴Sir John H. Shaw	Spokane, Wash.
West Virginia	E.∴Sir Prescott C. White	Morgantown, W.Va.
Wisconsin	R.∴E.∴Sir Herbert N. Laflin	Milwaukee, Wis.
Wyoming	E.∴Sir Francis E. Warren	Cheyenne, Wyo.

THIRTY-THIRD TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE AT LOS ANGELES

Your Grand Commander, together with a party of about one hundred, made a most enjoyable trip to Los Angeles, California, for the purpose of attending the Thirty-third Triennial Conclave held in that city June 20–23, 1916. A full report of this trip, together with the expenses incident thereto, will be made by the Triennial Committee, and need not be repeated here. It is sufficient to say that the trip was an immense success in every respect.

Owing to the fact that Calvary Commandery, whose offer as an escort was accepted by the Grand Commander some time ago, could not attend, your Grand Commander accepted the services of Joseph Warren Commandery as escort at Los Angeles. This duty was faithfully and enthusiastically carried out by this Commandery, and the thanks of the Grand Commander is hereby extended to the officers and Sir Knights taking part in the discharge of these duties. Your Commander feels that it is a very high honor to have had so distinguished a body of men as the Sir Knights of Joseph Warren Commandery to act as his escort.

I wish it were possible for me to discuss with you in a full and complete manner the proceedings of the Thirty-third Triennial Conclave, as many large and important questions vitally affecting our Order were presented.

Unfortunately the proceedings were conducted without much clarity or decision, and now after a lapse of months there appears to be no record yet issued. Where we looked for inspiration and hope we find traits of lethargy. Los Angeles in its public courtesies and the conclave of the Grand Encampment were both disappointments, to say the least.

DECISIONS

I have no rulings or decisions for your consideration, as not a single request has been made of me during the past year, excepting those of very minor importance, which need not be mentioned here.

RECOMMENDATIONS

First. I recommend that a committee on necrology be appointed each year by the Grand Commander, to prepare the memorials of departed fraters, as this work can be done best by such a committee and is a usual practice in other Grand bodies.

Second. I recommend that the by-laws of the several Commanderies in this jurisdiction be codified, and that the Grand Commander appoint a special committee of three to do this work.

Under general orders, the Grand Commander had the copies of all the Commanderies returned to him during the past year, and by even a slight examination of these by-laws it is easy to realize that there is a wide divergence between them, wholly unnecessary, and that errors and omissions have crept into these by-laws which ought to be rectified. In other words, there need be no great difference, except in minor details, in the by-laws of all the Commanderies. I heartily recommend that this special committee recommend a standard form of by-laws for each Commandery, as the first step to making these by-laws what they should be, uniform.

Third. I recommend that before the by-laws, amendments, or changes of the by-laws are made or submitted to the Grand Commander for his approval, that each Commandery be required to send their by-laws, changes, amendments, alterations, etc., first to the Grand Recorder, who will then refer these changes, etc., to the committee on by-laws, whose duty it will be to report upon said changes, amendments, alterations, etc., to the Grand Commander, who may then approve or disapprove the changes, amendments, alterations, etc., as he sees fit.

This will enable the Committee on By-laws and the Grand Commander to work in harmony regarding these matters, and enable a report to be made to the Grand Commandery which will be intelligent and consistent with the constitution of the Grand Encampment.

Fourth. I recommend a special committee be appointed to investigate and report upon some feasible plan applicable to

our Grand Commandery, that will make the inspections more effective.

While we cannot do away with the social features that now exist with the formal inspection of a Commandery, and neither does anybody wish to, yet our inspections should be of some useful, practical value to the Order. We now have no stated form to guide the Inspecting Officer, and inspections are constantly made in a widely varying manner.

I would suggest that the jurisdiction be divided into six separate divisions, and that a Grand officer be placed in charge as division commander of each division, allowing division commander to appoint his own assistants or staff officers. This would do away with the necessity or rather temptation to appoint a large number of Grand Lecturers, which is an office which hardly has its counterpart in any other jurisdiction, and has become a source of embarrassment to each and every Grand Commander in making up his appointments. I would suggest that the office of Grand Lecturer of the Grand Commandery be abolished entirely, or at least limiting the tenor of office to two years only.

I would also suggest that the Grand Commander be empowered to select an experienced Eminent Sir, whose duty shall be to supervise the work, both ritualistic and otherwise, of all the Commanderies, such officer to devote his whole time to this work and be paid a sufficient salary and traveling expenses. I feel that no one thing fraught with so much power for good, if carried out, could be suggested.

LOUISVILLE, KY.,
July 12, 1916.

At the Thirty-third Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment held in the city of Los Angeles, California, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, June 20, 21, 22, and 23, 1916, the following Grand officers were elected, appointed, and installed, and the Standing Committees appointed by the Grand Master to serve for the term of three years.

All communications to the Grand Recorder should be addressed to Room 201 Masonic Temple, Louisville, Ky.

GRAND OFFICERS

M.∴E.∴Sir LEE S. SMITH, *Grand Master* . . . . . Pittsburgh, Pa.
R.∴E.∴Sir JOSEPH K. ORR, *Deputy Grand Master* . . . . . Atlanta, Ga.
R.∴E.∴Sir JEHIEL W. CHAMBERLIN, *Grand Generalissimo* . St. Paul, Minn.
R.∴E.∴Sir LEONIDAS P. NEWBY, *Grand Captain General*, Knightstown, Ind.
R.∴E.∴Sir WILLIAM H. NORRIS, *Grand Senior Warden* Manchester, Iowa
R.∴E.∴Sir GEORGE W. VALLERY, *Grand Junior Warden* . Denver, Colo.
R.∴E.∴Sir and Rev. WM. W. YOUNGSON, *Grand Prelate* . Portland, Ore.
R.∴E.∴Sir H. WALES LINES, *Grand Treasurer* . . . . Meriden, Conn.
R.∴E.∴Sir FRANK H. JOHNSON, *Grand Recorder* . . . . Louisville, Ky.
Room 201 Masonic Temple
R.∴E.∴Sir WM. L. SHARP, *Grand Standard Bearer* . . . . Chicago, Ill.
R.∴E.∴Sir FRANK L. NAGLE, *Grand Sword Bearer* . Newtonville, Mass.
R.∴E.∴Sir PERRY W. WEIDNER, *Grand Warder* . . . Los Angeles, Cal.
R.∴E.∴Sir ISAAC H. HETTINGER, *Grand Captain of the Guard*, Kansas City

STANDING COMMITTEES

AS ANNOUNCED BY THE GRAND MASTER

Templar Jurisprudence

R.∴E.∴Sir BERNARD G. WITT, *Chairman* . . . . . Henderson, Ky.
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R.∴E.∴Sir CLAYTON J. FARRINGTON . . . . . Portland, Maine

Committee on Next Triennial Conclave

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R.∴E.∴Sir A. HOWARD THOMAS . . . . . Philadelphia, Penn.
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R.∴E.∴Sir ROBERT S. TEAGUE . . . . . Montgomery, Ala.
R.∴E.∴Sir ALBERT W. MATTOON . . . . . New Haven, Conn.

Fraternally yours,

[SEAL] LEE S. SMITH,
Grand Master.

ATTEST:

FRANK H. JOHNSON,
Grand Recorder.

The attention of the Sir Knights is called to the appointment of R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle as Grand Sword Bearer.

This is a high honor to this Grand Commandery and a fitting recognition of R.∴E.∴Sir Knight Nagle's splendid qualifications.

CHARITY

As Masons and Christian Sir Knights we have enlisted in the service of humanity. Charity in its broadest sense is therefore our constant duty and demands a service perhaps far beyond the capacity of any individual Sir Knight, but with our organization can we not make our sworn principles more effective?

Does not the thought come to the mind at times that many of our members expect and perhaps demand personal favors and benefits inherently as their right, rather than in the spirit that they themselves are expected to labor with heart and hand always and ever for the simple honor and glory of our Order and benefit of humanity?

I do not here plead solely the charity measured by contributions of money. All men are not equal in worldly goods. In this day of our complex civilization, as individuals and as organizations we have a call to works of charity of tremendous possibilities for good. By their works shall ye know them, and in the first and last analysis the world will know our Order, not by what takes place in our asylums, not by what we preach in the secrecy of our ritual, but by what effectiveness our principles make themselves a reality in the community in which we live and in the world at large. Charity begins at home is a wise old saying, and is true, but permit me to suggest the fact that charity does not end at home. Our charities should be as broad as the universe, not limited to ourselves. They should know no creed, country, race, or condition of men. No work of charity should be too large to attempt, and none too small to receive our faithful attention.

In the light of these plain, simple truths permit me to recommend some means of effective charities for our Order.

First. The permanent funds of a Commandery should not be deliberately tied up so that neither interest nor principal can be used for the relief of no one except a Sir Knight of that particular body, or their widows or orphans. With wise regulation, the interest, at least, of all permanent funds should be made accessible and effective for all charitable work, both inside and outside the membership of the Commandery.

Second. Special Funds should be organized and set aside for special charitable work, and the Sir Knights encouraged at all times to take an active part by contributing to the funds in time and money.

Third. Commanderies as bodies or individuals should participate in all public charities of their immediate locality that are fairly and sincerely organized and directed, whether Masonic or otherwise.

Fourth. Each Commandery should establish visitation committees of large membership, who shall divide up the jurisdiction into districts, to carry on charitable work. These committees should enthusiastically realize that we should seek out work for charity, not wait for it to come, and that charity is not wholly expressed in terms of money, but can many times be best extended by words and deeds of encouragement alone, and that in apparent success and health there is many a worthy soul that is a pauper in his yearnings for kind words and human sympathy.

I have here suggested only a rough outline of what a Commandery may do, but with an aroused spirit of charity I am sure many more effective means will arise.

Charity begets charity, as love begets love, and we should be continually reminded that the things seen are but temporal, but the things unseen are eternal.

As an organization, let us be broad in our charities and true to our ideals. As individuals, let us worship God as our conscience dictates, let us each be a member of that political faith which appeals to our best judgment. Let us organize great business enterprises. Let us build up families, and make friends, but in all that which we do let us be firm in our faith, sincere in our purpose, and true to our high ideals.

CONCLUSION

I close my term of service, as far as the welfare of this jurisdiction is concerned, as it was begun, in peace and harmony.

For this I claim no credit or expect any thanks. The splendid condition of the Order is due to the loyalty and enthusiasm of every Sir Knight, and to the long line of capable and illustrious Grand Commanders whose works have preceded mine. I thank you for the rare privilege I have had to serve you and the Order, and I hope, as my only reward, that in some manner my duty has been well done.

In the larger field of the world's welfare, my term closes with the same dark clouds of awful war as when it began. Although our own beloved country has up to the present escaped the technical and active condition of war, our future offers no bright and shining hope that we may escape. Still we have faith in the eternal principles of our Order.

Notwithstanding the awful struggle in which the nations of Europe are at present engaged; notwithstanding this terrible demonstration of the brutal forces of mankind, wherein force is extolled and love and justice have no place, I am firmly convinced that the day is yet fast dawning when more and more shall be recognized the power and importance of spiritual things, that the heart and soul and conscience of mankind must be its dominating factor.

And because I believe with many others in the verity of this, a deeper faith and a finer respect and love for this wondrous Order, its visions and ideals, fills me with hope and enthusiasm.

The sages and prophets of all ages have taught us much of truth and justice in the abstract. Christianity came to surmount it all with divine love and charity, which is the abstract fundamental of all religions. This is our Masonic and Templar ideal, the vision of true Brotherhood.

We are not permitted to know what the years and ages to come have in store for humanity. It is not given to human eyes to pierce the mists of the future and see what lies beyond. We can judge the future only by the past.

That past is secure. Sometimes dark and gloomy, sometimes rough and fearful, sometimes filled with despair, almost hopeless, yet from out the past has ever come light and improvement, advancement and hope.

Counting time in ages, we can discern no backward step. Our only light has been faith in each other and in the ultimate perfection of the divine plan.

Our Masonic ideals of Brotherhood have taught us this, and religion, philosophy, science have no more than confirmed it.

Let us, then, with confidence step forth in the future, having faith in our ideals, practising what we are taught in our temples and in our asylums: to regard a brother's interest as our own; to love all men and our neighbor as ourselves; to regard humanity as one great family, high and low, rich and poor; thankful that we have had the privilege of living; thankful that after a faithful life we shall have the privilege of a glorious death; rejoicing in these loving friendships, these elbow touches of life, these hand clasps.

Conscious that we were not born to walk alone the worldly path which leads from the eternity of an unknown past to the eternity of a blessed future, let us thank God for the privileges of membership in this great Brotherhood of Men, hoping for a love that has no limitations, and for a charity as boundless as the universe.

Frederick I. Dana

On motion of the Grand Recorder the address was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence fraternally reports that no matters have been referred to this committee demanding action or criticism. No decisions were asked for or rendered by the Right Eminent Grand Commander during the first six months of his administration. The usual dispensations were granted, all of which appear to be in accordance with Templar law and usage, and we recommend their approval.

The Grand Commander, in his very excellent and comprehensive review of his first six months labors as the head of this Grand body of Templars, says: "Throughout this Grand Jurisdiction not one ripple of contention or trouble appears upon the placid waters of Templar life." Your committee congratulates the Grand Commander on this happy state of affairs, and the Grand Commandery on a condition that makes it impossible to find anything to criticise.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. SANBORN,
J. ALBERT BLAKE,
DANA J. FLANDERS,
Committee.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

E.·.Sir Benjamin W. Rowell, Committee on Fraternal Correspondence, made a verbal report, in which he stated that the report of the committee was in type, and upon his request permission was granted him to print it in the Proceedings of this Annual Conclave.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS

To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Committee on By-laws have the honor to report that they have approved an amendment to Section 3 of Article IV of the By-laws of Bay State Commandery, No. 38, relative to increase in dues; also an addition to the By-laws of Saint Omer Commandery, No. 21, providing for a Relief Fund.

The amendment to the By-laws of Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 20, relative to suspension of members, was not in conformity to the Constitution and Code of Statutes of the Grand Encampment and this Grand Commandery, and have been returned to the Commandery that necessary changes may be made.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. DEXTER,
DANA MALONE,
S. EVERETT TINKHAM,
Committee on By-laws.

BOSTON, October 25, 1916.

This report was accepted and adopted.

REPORT OF THE TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

BOSTON, October 26, 1916.

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Eminent Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templars of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Committee on Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, held in Los Angeles, California, in 1916, beg leave to report as to their doings and expenses.

As per vote of the Grand Commandery, wherein it was decided that each representative to the Grand Encampment should be allowed $400 for expenses, with a contingent fund to the committee of $1,500, your chairman made requisition on

the Grand Treasurer for the sum of $5,500, to cover the above amounts, receiving from him $2,500, which, not being sufficient, the Grand Recorder advanced the remaining $3,000 for the use of the committee.

Check for $400 was forwarded to each of the following representatives of Grand Commandery, with the proviso that if not used the same be returned to the Grand Recorder:

R.·.E.·.Sir Frederick I. Dana
V.·.E.·.Sir Samuel D. Sherwood
E.·.Sir William H. Emerson
E.·.Sir William J. Bolton
R.·.E.·.Sir William H. H. Soule
R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey
R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Johnson
R.·.E.·.Sir Edwin A. Blodgett
R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding
R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle

R.·.E.·.Sir Edwin A. Blodgett and E.·.Sir William H. Emerson, finding it impossible to attend the conclave, returned their checks to the Grand Recorder, and same were duly credited.

R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle, having received mileage and per diem from the Grand Encampment, also returned the amount forwarded to him, and the same has been credited on the books of the Grand Recorder.

The chairman of your committee, being unable to attend the conclave on account of important business which prevented, turned over to the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander the contingent fund of $1,500, and the Grand Commander makes the following report of the disbursement of same:

		$1,500.00
Paid for Headquarters and decorations	$666.70	
Paid for horses	160.00	
Paid for entertainment and incidental expenses	494.91	1,321.61
Leaving a balance of		$178.39

which has been turned over to the Grand Treasurer.

The Grand Commander for the committee makes the following report:

The party attending the Thirty-third Triennial Conclave consisted of the following Grand Officers: R.·.E.·.Sir Frederick I. Dana, Providence, Rhode Island, Grand Commander; Mrs. Dana; Miss Dana; V.·.E.·.Sir Samuel D. Sherwood, Springfield, Massachusetts, Deputy Grand Commander; E.·.Sir William J. Bolton, M.D., Athol, Massachusetts, Grand Captain General; Mrs. Bolton; R.·.E.·.Sir William H. H. Soule, Boston, Massachusetts, Past Grand Commander; R.·.E.·.Sir Frank L. Nagle, Newtonville, Massachusetts, Past Grand Commander; Mrs. Nagle; R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Johnson, Worcester, Massachusetts, Past Grand Commander; R.·.E.·.Sir Walter F. Medding, Malden, Massachusetts, Past Grand Commander; Mrs. Medding; E.·.Sir Harry G. Pollard, Lowell, Massachusetts, Grand Junior Warden; Mrs. Pollard; E.·.Sir Charles R. Hunt, M.D., New Bedford, Massachusetts, Grand Captain of Guards; Mrs. Hunt; E.·.Sir Joseph H. Potter, Apponaug, Rhode Island, Grand Warder; Mrs. Potter; R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey, Past Grand Commander, joined the party in Los Angeles and was in attendance at the Triennial Conclave. The party consisted of practically one hundred Sir Knights, including ladies and friends. We were also favored with the company of five Grand officers of the Grand Commandery of Maine, as follows: R.·.E.·.Sir Edmund B. Mallett, Freeport, Maine, Grand Commander; V.·.E.·.Sir Franklin R. Redlon, Portland, Maine, Deputy Grand Commander; Mrs. Redlon; E.·.Sir Frederick Hill, Waterville, Maine, Grand Generalissimo; Mrs. Hill; E.·.Sir Wilmer J. Dorman, Belfast, Maine, Grand Captain General; R.·.E.·.Sir Clayton J. Farrington, Portland, Maine, Past Grand Commander; Mrs. Farrington. They, together with their ladies and friends, making up a party of eighteen. The special train left Boston, Saturday, June 10th, and proceeded by the way of Chicago, Kansas City, Colorado Springs, Grand Canyon, Riverside, San Diego, California, to Los Angeles, arriving Sunday, June 18th. June 19th to 22d was spent in Los Angeles in attendance at the Triennial Conclave, the Grand officers being quartered at the

Alexandria Hotel. The return trip was made by the Pacific Coast to San Francisco, where the Grand Commander was obliged to leave the party, returning direct to Providence, Rhode Island, via Denver and Chicago, arriving July 1st. The balance of the party returned by Portland, Seattle, Victoria, Vancouver, and the Canadian Rockies, arriving in Boston, Saturday, July 8th.

It can be said without exaggeration that this Triennial trip left nothing to be criticised in the way of all arrangements for transportation and accommodations. At all points the train schedule was lived up to, and at many points exceeded. The weather was splendid throughout the entire trip, and nothing occurred, in any manner whatsoever, to cause any worry or serious trouble. For these excellent arrangements the thanks of the committee are due to George E. Marsters, Inc., and Fred W. Briggs, conductor in charge, under whose direction the pilgrimage was planned and carried out. The thanks of the committee is also extended to Sir Howard M. Fletcher, Boston Commandery, representing the Santa Fé System, who accompanied the party, and through whose untiring efforts everything was done to make the trip, particularly on the Santa Fé system, a perfect success.

Fraternally submitted,

B. W. ROWELL,
FRANK L. NAGLE,
FREDERICK I. DANA,

Committee.

ADDITIONAL REPORT OF THE TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

Your committee desires further to report that communication having been received from the Committee on Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment for 1919, to be held at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, that the committee would meet in

Philadelphia on September 22, 1916, the R.∴E.∴Grand Commander was immediately notified of this fact, and by his authority and for the best interests of Grand Commandery your Triennial Committee proceeded to visit Philadelphia on the day mentioned and have made such arrangements as will be conducive to the comfort and convenience of the Grand officers and representatives of the Grand Commandery who may attend that conclave.

Your committee made a conditional contract with the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel for thirty-two (32) rooms, two of which are to be used for Headquarters and the others for sleeping rooms, the rates being more reasonable than at any other place where the Grand Encampment has held its conclave.

Your committee would request that their action in this matter be ratified by Grand Commandery.

Fraternally submitted,

B. W. ROWELL,
FRANK L. NAGLE,
FREDERICK I. DANA,

Committee.

On motion the reports of the committee was approved and their action adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE DAY

The Committee of the Day, consisting of E.∴Sirs Eugene A. Holton, J. Gilman Waite, and Everett C. Benton, reported that dinner would be served in the Banquet Hall at one o'clock. The Grand Commander then ordered a recess until two o'clock.

ROLL-CALL OF COMMANDERIES

The roll of Commanderies was then called and all responded as follows:

Name of Commandery	No. of Commandery	Location of Commandery
St. Johns	1	Providence, R. I.
Boston	2	Boston, Mass.
Newburyport	3	Newburyport, Mass.
Washington	4	Newport, R.I.
Worcester County	5	Worcester, Mass.
Springfield	6	Springfield, Mass.
De Molay	7	Boston, Mass.
Holy Sepulchre	8	Pawtucket, R.I.
Pilgrim	9	Lowell, Mass.
Palestine	10	Chelsea, Mass.
Milford	11	Milford, Mass.
St. Bernard	12	Boston, Mass.
Calvary	13	Providence, R.I.
Haverhill	14	Haverhill, Mass.
Old Colony	15	Abington, Mass.
Sutton	16	New Bedford, Mass.
Bethany	17	Lawrence, Mass.
Winslow Lewis	18	Salem, Mass.
Jerusalem	19	Fitchburg, Mass.
Hugh de Payens	20	Melrose, Mass.
St. Omer	21	Dorchester Mass.
Berkshire	22	Pittsfield, Mass.
Connecticut Valley	23	Greenfield, Mass.
Woonsocket	24	Woonsocket, R.I.
Godfrey de Bouillon	25	Fall River, Mass.
Joseph Warren	26	Roxbury, Mass.
Narragansett	27	Westerly, R.I.
William Parkman	28	East Boston, Mass.
Bristol	29	Attleboro, Mass.
Northampton	30	Northampton, Mass.
South Shore	31	East Weymouth, Mass.
Trinity	32	Hudson, Mass.
Natick	33	Natick, Mass.
Cœur de Lion	34	Charlestown, Mass.
Gethsemane	35	Newtonville, Mass.
Olivet	36	Lynn, Mass.
Athol	37	Athol, Mass.
Bay State	38	Brockton, Mass.
Cyprus	39	Hyde Park, Mass.
St. Paul	40	North Adams, Mass.
Beauseant	41	Malden, Mass.
Cambridge	42	Cambridge, Mass.
Bethlehem	43	Gloucester, Mass.
St. George	44	Beverly, Mass.
Orange	45	Orange, Mass.
Ivanhoe	46	Gardner, Mass.
Quincy	47	Quincy, Mass.

The roll of Representatives of Sister Grand Jurisdictions was then called, when the following responded as being present.

Grand Commandery of	Representative	Residence
Alabama	R.∴E.∴Sir William H. H. Soule	Brookline, Mass.
Arizona	R.∴E.∴Sir E. Bentley Young	Boston, Mass.
California	E.∴Sir Richard W. Smith	Boston, Mass.
Colorado	E.∴Sir Smith B. Harrington	Wollaston Heights, Mass.
Connecticut	E.∴Sir Arthur W. Dennis	Providence, R. I.
District of Columbia	E.∴Sir George T. Coppins	Newton, Mass.
Florida	E.∴Sir Henry C. Dexter	Providence, R. I.
Idaho	E.∴Sir Judson C. Mackenzie	Fall River, Mass.
Illinois	R.∴E.∴Sir Frederick I. Dana	Providence, R. I.
Indiana	R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin A. Blodgett	Springfield, Mass.
Indian Territory	R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham	Providence, R. I.
Iowa	E.∴Sir Walter F. Medding	Malden, Mass.
Kansas	E.∴Sir Albert L. Anthony	Providence, R. I.
Kentucky	R.∴E.∴Sir John P. Sanborn	Newport, R. I.
Louisiana	E.∴Sir George E. Stacy	Milford, Mass.
Maryland	R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham	Providence, R. I.
Maine	R.∴E.∴Sir Freeman C. Hersey	Boston, Mass.
Minnesota	E.∴Sir James S. Blake	Brookline, Mass.
Mississippi	E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
Missouri	E.∴Sir Harry G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
Nebraska	E.∴Sir William H. Emerson	Brockton, Mass.
New Jersey	E.∴Sir William J. Bolton	Athol, Mass.
New Mexico	R.∴E.∴Sir Dana J. Flanders	Malden, Mass.
North Carolina	R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle	Newton, Mass.
North Dakota	E.∴Sir Charles E. Pierce	South Boston, Mass.
Ohio	R.∴E.∴Sir Charles I. Litchfield	Plymouth, Mass.
Oklahoma	R.∴E.∴Sir Caleb Saunders	Lawrence, Mass.
Oregon	E.∴Sir Harry P. Ballard	Malden, Mass.
Pennsylvania	E.∴Sir Arthur G. Pollard	Lowell, Mass.
South Carolina	E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell	Lynn, Mass.
South Dakota	E.∴Sir Asa C. Jewett	Newton Centre, Mass.
Tennessee	E.∴Sir J. Gilman Waite	Medford, Mass.
Texas	R.∴E.∴Sir J. Albert Blake	Malden, Mass.
Utah	Rev. and E.∴Sir R. Perry Bush	Chelsea, Mass.
Vermont	E.∴Sir Isaac Chase	Cambridge, Mass.
Washington	E.∴Sir J. Fred Parker	Providence, R. I.
Wisconsin	V.∴E.∴Sir William W. Johnson	Worcester, Mass.
Wyoming	E.∴Sir Eugene A. Holton	Boston, Mass.

At 12.15 o'clock P.M., a recess was ordered until after dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Grand Commandery was called to order at 2.30 o'clock P.M.

LETTER AND FLORAL REMEMBRANCE

On motion of V.·.E.·.Sir Samuel D. Sherwood it was ordered that a letter and floral remembrance be sent to the Senior Past Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir Caleb Saunders, who was unable to be present on account of his health.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS

The hour for election of Grand officers having arrived, the R.·.E.·.Grand Commander appointed as a committee to receive, sort, and count the ballots:

R.·.E.·.Sir Edwin A. Blodgett
E.·.Sir Charles E. Pierce
E.·.Sir Judson C. Mackenzie

and a second committee consisting of:

E.·.Sir Addison L. Osborne
E.·.Sir Henry H. Litchfield
E.·.Sir Prince W. Taylor

These committees having attended to their duties reported that the result of the election was as follows:

For Right Eminent Grand Commander: SAMUEL D. SHERWOOD, of Springfield Commandery, No. 6.

For Deputy Grand Commander: WILLIAM H. EMERSON, of Bay State Commandery, No. 38.

For Grand Generalissimo: E.·.Sir WILLIAM J. BOLTON, of Athol Commandery, No. 37.

For Grand Captain General: E.·.Sir EVERETT C. BENTON, of St. Bernard Commandery, No. 12.

For Grand Senior Warden: E.·.Sir HARRY G. POLLARD, of Pilgrim Commandery, No. 9.

For Grand Junior Warden: E.·.Sir HENRY C. DEXTER, of Holy Sepulchre Commandery, No. 8.

For Grand Treasurer: R.·.E.·.Sir E. BENTLEY YOUNG, of Joseph Warren Commandery, No. 26.

For Grand Recorder: E.·.Sir BENJAMIN W. ROWELL, of Olivet Commandery, No. 36.

For Trustee of the Permanent Fund for Three Years: E.·.Sir ALBERT L. ANTHONY, of Calvary Commandery, No. 13.

APPOINTED OFFICERS

The R.·.E.·.Grand Commander-elect then announced the following appointments:

For Grand Standard Bearer: E.·.Sir ROLAND O. LAMB, of De Molay Commandery, No. 7.

For Grand Sword Bearer: E.·.Sir CHARLES R. HUNT, of Sutton Commandery, No. 16.

For Grand Warder: E.·.Sir ROBERT FITTS WARREN, of Springfield Commandery, No. 6.

For Grand Captain of the Guard: E.·.Sir ASA C. JEWETT, of Gethsemane Commandery, No. 35.

For Grand Sentinel: E.·.Sir WILLIAM E. WILCOX, of Berkshire Commandery, No. 22.

GRAND LECTURERS

E.·.Sir CLARENCE M. DUNBAR, of Calvary Commandery, No. 13.
E.·.Sir WILLIAM A. SEWARD, of Cœur de Lion Commandery, No. 34.
E.·.Sir GEORGE W. KNOWLTON, of Joseph Warren Commandery, No. 26.
E.·.Sir WM. H. BEATTIE, of Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, No. 25.
E.·.Sir JOSEPH T. PAUL, of Boston Commandery, No. 2.
E.·.Sir PERCY W. WITHERELL, of Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 20.

Committee on Fraternal Correspondence

E.·.Sir BENJAMIN W. ROWELL

Committee on Jurisprudence

R.∴E.∴Sir Dana J. Flanders R.∴E.∴Sir J. Albert Blake
R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin A. Blodgett

Committee on Finance

E.∴Sir John M. Raymond E.∴Sir James M. Gleason
E.∴Sir Frederick T. Comey

Committee on By-laws

R.∴E.∴Sir Walter W. Burnham R.∴E.∴Sir Frederick I. Dana
E.∴Sir S. Everett Tinkham

Committee on Printing

R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Rowell
E.∴Sir J. Gilman Waite

Committee on Credentials

E.∴Sir James A. Rogers E.∴Sir Daniel C. Hunt
E.∴Sir Henry H. Litchfield

M.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith then addressed the Grand Commandery at length, his words of wisdom and advice being highly appreciated.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The officers elected and appointed were then installed into their respective offices by R.∴E.∴Sir Frederick I. Dana, assisted by the Grand Warder, and the usual proclamation was made and the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island declared duly organized.

PRESENTATION OF JEWEL

Right Eminent Sir Sherwood then in the name of Grand Commandery presented to Right Eminent Sir Dana the regulation Past Grand Commander's jewel.

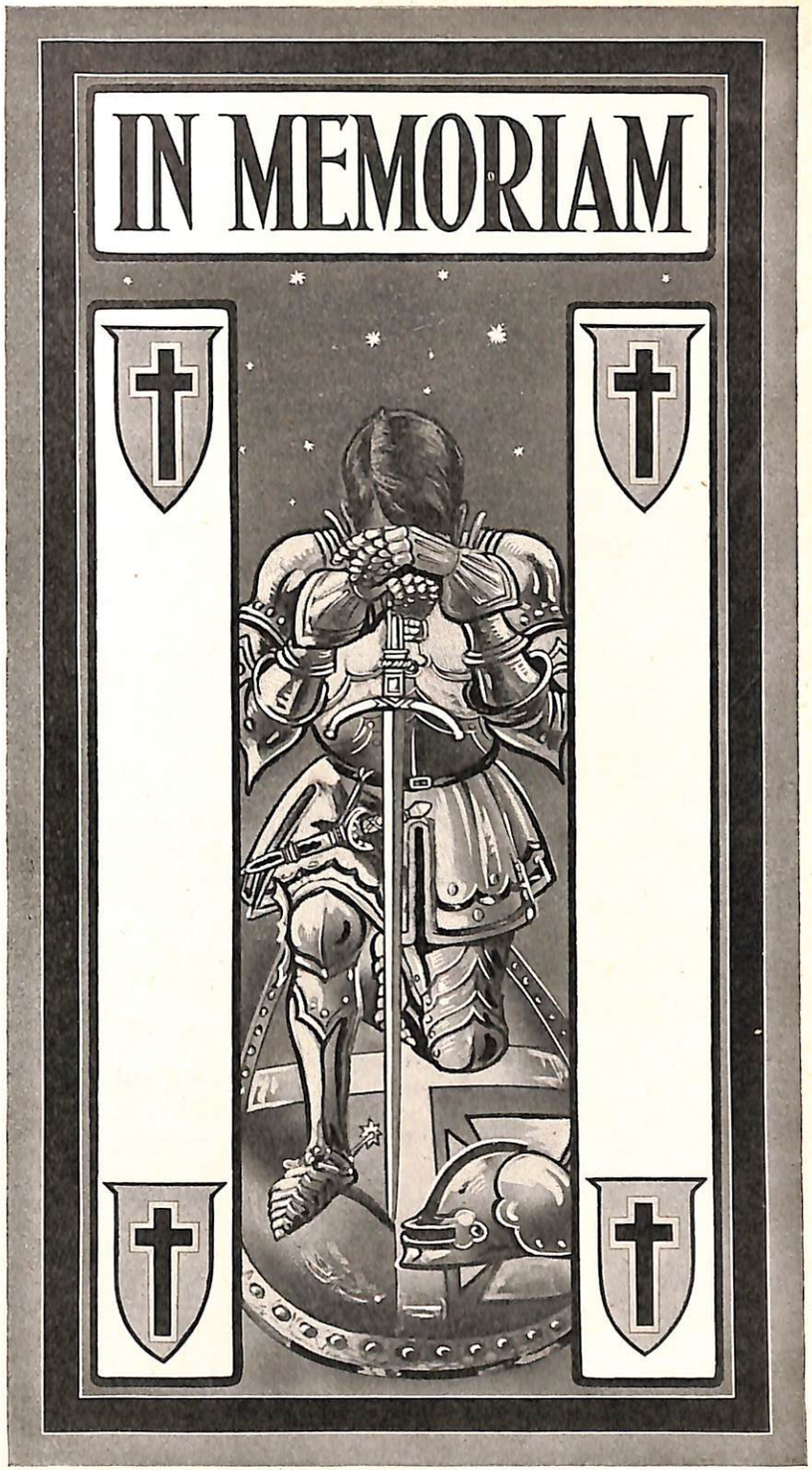
The business of the conclave being concluded, the Right Eminent Grand Commander expressed his thanks for the attention of the Eminent Sir Knights in attendance. The Grand Commandery was then declared adjourned after uniting in their devotions with Sir and Rev. Francis W. Gibbs, Assistant Grand Prelate.

A true record of the official acts and doings of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templars and the Appendant Orders of Massachusetts and Rhode Island at its conclaves held during the year.

Attest:

Grand Recorder.

IN MEMORIAM



In Memoriam

This page is dedicated to the E.·.Sir Knights of Sister Jurisdictions who have passed to the great beyond during the year

"There is a mystic borderland that lies
Just past the limits of our work-day world,
And it is peopled with the friends we met
And loved, a year, a month, a week, or a day,
And parted from with aching hearts, yet knew
That through the distance we must lose the hold
Of hand with hand, and only clasp the threads
Of memory. But still so close we feel this land,
So sure we are that these same hearts are true,
That, when in waking dreams there comes a call
That sets the threads of memory aglow,
We know that just by stretching out the hand
In written words of love or book or flower,
The waiting hand will clasp our own once more
Across the silence, in the same old way."

Mortuary, 1915=1916

Saint John's Commandery, No. 1

Alexander C. Brownell	Jan. 14, 1916
Eugene C. Lincoln	Jan. 21, 1916
Stephen O. Edwards	Jan. 22, 1916
Alden H. Blake	Feb. 1, 1916
John A. Abbott	Mar. 29, 1916
Charles A. Barden	April 4, 1916
Robert E. Budlong	April 10, 1916
Edward B. Knight	May 8, 1916
John J. Butler	May 20, 1916
Joseph F. Ripley	June 1, 1916
Abiel F. Davis	July 3, 1916
Charles H. Goff	July 4, 1916
Charles B. Manchester	July 12, 1916
George Wm. Evans	July 21, 1916
Newton D. Arnold	Aug. 13, 1916

Boston Commandery, No. 2

Isaac H. Eddy	Aug. 30, 1915
Martin W. Moran	Sept. 2, 1915
James B. Badger	Oct. 2, 1915
Frederick S. Burnham	Oct. 12, 1915
George F. Davenport	Oct. 19, 1915
John L. Bird	Nov. 30, 1915
Ernest A. Mason	Dec. 20, 1915
Richard A. Atwood	Dec. 29, 1915
Augustus Colby	Jan. 1, 1916
David Wilcox	Jan. 5, 1916
Fred W. Abbott	Jan. 11, 1916
Irving B. Frost	Jan. 14, 1916
Rufus G. Fessenden	Jan. 15, 1916
Arthur H. Chamberlain	Feb. 6, 1916
Frederick Alford	Feb. 7, 1916
Charles S. Gove	Mar. 1, 1916
Robert H. Clark	Mar. 3, 1916
Edward L. Norris	Mar. 7, 1916
Hezekiah McLaughlin	April 2, 1916
John A. L. Von Betzen	April 21, 1916
Albert E. Holden	April 27, 1916
George W. Bicknell	June 3, 1916
James T. Sherman	June 6, 1916
James Barwick	June 15, 1916
Philip J. McGrath	June 28, 1916
Wallace Goodrich	July 20, 1916
David G. Pratt	July 22, 1916
Walter S. Thompson	Aug. 8, 1916

Newburyport Commandery, No. 3

Samuel J. Ford	Oct. 2, 1915
Benjamin J. Warton	Dec. 31, 1915
William H. Ferren	Jan. 10, 1916
John A. Douglass	Feb. 4, 1916
Bailey Bartlett	——, —, ——

Washington Commandery, No. 4

Frank W. Hay	Jan. 31, 1916
Rufus E. Darrah	Feb. 8, 1916

Worcester County Commandery, No. 5

George Mann	Oct. 7, 1915
Charles B. Perry	Oct. 13, 1915
Henry H. Ramsdell	Oct. 13, 1915
Orman L. Taft	Nov. 20, 1915
John E. Prest	Dec. 1, 1915
Frank W. Bullard	Dec. 17, 1915
Francis H. Rice	Jan. 15, 1916
James M. Greene	Feb. 9, 1916

Edwin A. Hill	Feb. 12, 1916
George M. Foskett	Feb. 23, 1916
Frank Fielder	Mar. 8, 1916
Joseph A. Long	Mar. 10, 1916
Alonzo P. Waite	May 18, 1916
W. Ansel Washburn	May 19, 1916
Silas Dunton	July 25, 1916
Harry M. Wright	Aug. 17, 1916
Benj. F. Parkhurst	Aug. 18, 1916
Edward P. King	Aug. 18, 1916

Springfield Commandery, No. 6

Charles B. Butler	Oct. 10, 1915
Alfred J. Beaudry	Oct. 12, 1915
Lewis J. Spear	Oct. 23, 1915
Charles A. Royce	Oct. 31, 1915
Edward H. Lathrop	Dec. 9, 1915
George W. Rollins	Dec. 16, 1915
James R. Gladwin	Jan. 25, 1916
Dexter H. Allis	Jan. 31, 1916
William S. Pomeroy	Feb. 9, 1916
Orthello K. Merrill	Mar. 31, 1916
Fredk. C. Breakspear	June 2, 1916
Frederick Goodhind	June 14, 1916
Alexander Leith	July 15, 1916
Lewis H. Dickey	Aug. 5, 1916
Robert H. Diehl	Aug. 17, 1916
John Tait	Aug. 26, 1916
Harold P. Moseley	Sept. 13, 1916
John W. Belcher	Sept. 26, 1916

De Molay Commandery, No. 7

George F. Ingalls	Sept. 2, 1915
Henry Curtis	Sept. 8, 1915
Joseph Nicholson	Oct. 2, 1915
Nathaniel C. Nash	Oct. 10, 1915
George T. Ambrose	Oct. 16, 1915
William K. Otis	Oct. 26, 1915
George W. Cushman	Oct. 30, 1915
Alfred N. Farrington	Oct. 31, 1915
Herbert E. Merrill	Nov. 17, 1915
Russell T. Chamberlin	Dec. 3, 1915
John E. Marden	Jan. 18, 1916
Jesse S. Viles	Feb. 9, 1916
William P. Nickerson	Jan. 1, 1916
Charles H. Perry	Feb. 24, 1916
Henry N. Fisher	Mar. 10, 1916
John O. Roorbach	Mar. 20, 1916
Seth T. Dame	Mar. 26, 1916
Morrill L. Perkins	April 9, 1916
Frank H. Beckler	April 16, 1916
Albert T. Percy	April 22, 1916
Linn B. Porter	June 29, 1916

Holy Sepulchre Commandery, No. 8

John Wood	Dec. 11, 1915
Joseph D. Magee	Jan. 18, 1916
Theodore W. French	Feb. 2, 1916
William Paterson	Mar. 12, 1916
George A. Simmons	Mar. 17, 1916
Henry S. Briggs	May 25, 1916
Henry W. French	Aug. 18, 1916
William J. Mills	Sept. 4, 1916
John W. Perry	Sept. 14, 1916
George A. Saunders	Sept. 18, 1916

Pilgrim Commandery, No. 9

Arnold S. Welch	Nov. 6, 1915
James Murkland	Dec. 15, 1915
Edward A. Salmon	Jan. 6, 1916
Chas. W. Morey	Feb. 19, 1916
Clarence W. Whidden	April 10, 1916
George W. Brothers	May 5, 1916
Frank E. Stowell	June 15, 1916

Palestine Commandery, No. 10

William A. Trull	Oct. 11, 1915
Abbott W. Lawrence	Dec. 28, 1915
Marcus M. Merritt	Jan. 16, 1915
Freeman C. Sawyer	Jan. 26, 1915
Benjamin Albee	Mar. 3, 1915
Josiah B. Shurtleff	Mar. 8, 1915
John A. Smith	May 28, 1915
Charles G. Roberts	June 26, 1915

Milford Commandery, No. 11

Frank E. Withington	Oct. 21, 1915
Henry C. Skinner	Jan. 10, 1916
Charles Gould	Jan. 14, 1916
Lewis H. Barney	Feb. 1, 1916
Thomas Lilley	Feb. 26, 1916
Madison C. Harvey	Aug. 1, 1916

Saint Bernard Commandery, No. 12

Warren F. Gay	Aug. 26, 1916

Calvary Commandery, No. 13

George H. Terpany	Nov. 24, 1915
Newell L. Wilbur	Nov. 26, 1915
William S. Granger	Jan. 1, 1916
Richard J. Baker	Mar. 8, 1916
Harry L. Saunders	Feb. 18, 1916
Chas. B. Webster	Mar. 16, 1916
James G. Hall	Mar. 26, 1916
Simeon Hunt	April 5, 1916
Ivory W. Jordan	May 25, 1916
Frederick W. Perry	June 8, 1916
William H. Hall	June 27, 1916
Byron S. Cooke	July 14, 1916
Chas. E. Knight	Sept. 3, 1916
William H. Horton	Sept. 5, 1916
Nathan B. Hail	Sept. 8, 1916
Edgar A. Mowry	Sept. 25, 1916

Haverhill Commandery, No. 14

Hannibal G. Case	Dec. 8, 1916
Richard R. Turner	Jan. 5, 1916
George E. Elliott	Feb. 4, 1916
Hamilton L. Perkins	Feb. 12, 1916
William C. Hayes	Feb. 15, 1916
John H. Thomas	May 13, 1916
Louis A. Woodbury	July 18, 1916
Horace G. Currier	Aug. 13, 1916
Charles H. Hayes	Sept. 9, 1916

Old Colony Commandery, No. 15

Dexter Grose	Dec. 11, 1915
David V. Poole	Dec. 18, 1915
William H. Maine	Mar. 1, 1916
Anthony Dike	May 28, 1916

Sutton Commandery, No. 16

Chas. McC. Wilkinson	Nov. 13, 1915
Robert A. Hammond	Nov. 19, 1915
William H. Rankin	Nov. 26, 1915
John G. Tinkham	Dec. 17, 1915
Charles L. Starkey	Jan. 25, 1916
Joseph Dawson	Feb. 4, 1916
George Purrington, Jr.	Feb. 4, 1916
William C. Paddock	Feb. 12, 1916
Samuel F. Aiken	Mar. 12, 1916
James M. Lincoln	Mar. 28, 1916
William H. Thomas	April 23, 1916
Henry Field, Jr.	May 15, 1916
Edgar Kaharl	Aug. 25, 1916

Bethany Commandery, No. 17

Charles R. Briggs	Sept. 13, 1915
Thomas Bevington	Oct. 28, 1915
Maximillian Pendleton	Dec. 24, 1915
Andrew J. Mooar	Jan. 2, 1916

Samuel W. Fellows	Jan. 18, 1916
John C. Lewis	Feb. 16, 1916
Melvin Beal	Feb. 23, 1916
Smith M. Decker	April 4, 1916
Israel S. Worcester	May 19, 1916
Thomas E. Andrew	Sept. 19, 1916

Winslow Lewis Commandery, No. 18

C. W. Morse	Feb. 14, 1916
A. H. Smith	Aug. 21, 1916
J. C. Moulton	Sept. 23, 1916

Jerusalem Commandery, No. 19

George C. Robbins	Nov. 23, 1915
Joseph W. M. Brown	Dec. 21, 1915
Charles S. Alexander	Jan. 2, 1916
John F. Lentz	April 12, 1916
George O. Hubbard	June 10, 1916
Luther G. Robbins	July 25, 1916

Hugh de Payens Commandery, No. 20

Frank R. Sewall	Sept. 4, 1915
Joseph H. Glines	Sept. 9, 1915
John L. McIntosh	Oct. 29, 1915
Edwin F. Warren	Nov. 10, 1915
Charles A. Adams	Nov. 18, 1915
George W. Payne	Dec. 2, 1915
Clarence A. Smith	Dec. 3, 1915
Frank L. Welt	Jan. 13, 1916
George H. Chase	Jan. 25, 1916
Frank L. Terwilliger	Feb. 10, 1916
Charles H. Arnold	Feb. 19, 1916
Charles A. Patch	Feb. 28, 1916
Robert Duncan	Feb. 15, 1916
Joseph Linnell	April 10, 1916
J. Alden Stockwell	May 30, 1916
Jabez S. Dyer	June 15, 1916
Frank H. Damon	June 19, 1916
Frank E. Harriman	July 17, 1916
Frank A. Wilkins	Aug. 16, 1916
Alonzo H. Smith	Aug. 21, 1916
Edward S. Barker	Sept. 3, 1916

Saint Omer Commandery, No. 21

Charles H. Dunbar	Dec. 17, 1915
Charles W. McLellan	Dec. 23, 1915
Arthur J. Acton	Aug. 23, 1916

Berkshire Commandery, No. 22

Charles E. Morey	Dec. 7, 1915
Clarence P. Niles	Dec. 12, 1915

Connecticut Valley Commandery, No. 23

Charles A. Deal	Dec. 3, 1915
George Pierce	Dec. 14, 1915
Charles S. Shaw	Mar. 14, 1916
Marsin S. Fellows	Mar. 30, 1916
Edwin H. Sherwin	April —, 1916
Edson J. Pratt	June 15, 1916
George F. Lamb	July 7, 1916
Henry W. Payne	Aug. 2, 1916
Elisha B. Hubbard	Feb. 19, 1916
Charles S. Richardson	Sept. 7, 1916

Woonsocket Commandery, No. 24

John Gunn	Oct. 29, 1915
Sidney A. Whitaker	Nov. 16, 1915
Mark Hough	Jan. 29, 1916
Walker E. Fiske	Feb. 11, 1916
Edmund E. Mowry	Feb. 22, 1916
William O. Park	Mar. 28, 1916
George A. Allison	April 6, 1916

Orlando Scott	April 19, 1916
Frederick F. Addison	Aug. 12, 1916
Alfred E. Adams	Aug. 13, 1916

Godfrey de Bouillon Commandery, No. 25

Henry J. Langley	Mar. 31, 1916
Charles S. Blake	April 19, 1916
William Henderson	May 15, 1916
Benj. H. Roberts	June 19, 1916
James E. Buckley	July 31, 1916
John H. Hunter	Sept. 12, 1916

Joseph Warren Commandery, No. 26

George F. W. Richmond	Nov. 17, 1915
William E. Muir	Dec. 23, 1915
Joseph P. Emond	Jan. 17, 1916
Joseph R. Glover	Jan. 22, 1916
Edmund H. Reardon	Feb. 4, 1916
Varnum Waugh	Feb. 25, 1916
John A. Turner	June 28, 1910
Charles R. Palmer	July 13, 1916
William A. Cochran	July 28, 1916

Narragansett Commandery, No. 27

Russell B. Smith	June 4, 1916

William Parkman Commandery, No. 28

Charles W. York	Nov. 7, 1915
George D. French	Jan. 12, 1916
Richmond Fisk	Jan. 29, 1916
Benj. F. Campbell	Mar. 9, 1916
Richard Mitchell	April 18, 1916
Charles A. Estey	April 21, 1916
James Sanderson	May 26, 1916
William H. Leach	July 17, 1916

Bristol Commandery, No. 29

Peter Nerney	Jan. 17, 1916
William H. Goff	April 2, 1916
Ellery W. Nye	Jan. 21, 1916
William B. Inzell	July 28, 1916
Robert A. Brown	July 30, 1916

Northampton Commandery, No. 30

George S. Clarke	June 22, 1916
Albert T. Mitten	Dec. 4, 1916
Martin T. Starkey	June 1, 1916
Lewis D. Parsons	June 24, 1916
Elisha J. Wheaton	May 13, 1916
Christopher Clark	Nov. 20, 1915
Edwin B. Brewer	Nov. 21, 1915
Rupert E. Dickinson	Aug. 31, 1916

South Shore Commandery, No. 31

Otis Cushing	Oct. 13, 1915
Albert Wilder	Oct. 22, 1915
George L. Perkins	Dec. 22, 1915
Edwin M. Morse	Jan. 24, 1916
George C. Drew	Feb. 5, 1916

Trinity Commandery, No. 32

Charles Frazer	Dec. 18, 1915
Thomas F. Richardson	Dec. 26, 1915
Charles E. Harris	Feb. 3, 1916
James K. Hall	June 10, 1916
Albert H. Perry	July 16, 1916
James C. Robertson	Aug. 22, 1916
John L. Stone	Sept. 3, 1916
Hazen Leighton	Sept. 27, 1916

Natick Commandery, No. 33

Jacob T. Eber	Feb. 15, 1916
William T. Garfield	Mar. 11, 1916
Theodore H. Widets	Mar. 20, 1916
Ambrose Bryant	April 8, 1916
Ambrose H. Harding	June 9, 1916
James H. Waite	——, —, ——

Cœur de Lion Commandery, No. 34

Gerard D. Bean	Oct. 28, 1915
George L. Reed	Nov. 10, 1915
Charles A. Badger	Nov. 12, 1915
John H. Studley, Jr.	Dec. 5, 1915
Sargent Morss	Dec. 14, 1915
John G. Dearborn	Jan. 3, 1916
Edward T. C. Eddy	Feb. 10, 1916
Robert A. Blood	Feb. 21, 1916
Alexander L. Brown	Mar. 9, 1916
Richard H. Sturtevant	Mar. 28, 1916
Benjamin F. Bowditch	April 22, 1916
Charles S. Stone	April 22, 1916
Frank G. Lombard	May 15, 1916
Frank G. Loring	June 15, 1916

Gethsemane Commandery, No. 35

George H. Wilkins	Nov. 17, 1915
George A. Miller	Dec. 8, 1915
James Ford	Dec. 16, 1915
Charles W. Hatch	April 16, 1916
Albert H. Rolfe	June 3, 1916
Henry A. Thorndike	June 18, 1916
David Bates	July 3, 1916
Alvan L. Greenwood	Sept. 18, 1916

Olivet Commandery, No. 36

Charles Elmer White	Oct. 6, 1915
Edward C. Titus	Oct. 22, 1915
Henry T. Pevear	Mar. 19, 1916
Samuel O. Breed	Mar. 26, 1916
Daniel A. Sutherland	May 29, 1916
Charles S. Johnson	June 14, 1916
Joshua N. Anderson	July 2, 1916

Athol Commandery, No. 37

Eugene C. Gaynor	Oct. 4, 1915
Festus G. Amsden	Dec. 10, 1915
Everard B. Hanson	Feb. 7, 1916
Joseph H. Haskins	April 26, 1916
James Cotton	Aug. 7, 1916
Lucien Lord	Sept. 24, 1916

Bay State Commandery, No. 38

Webster Smith	Oct. 1, 1915
A. Perry Cutis	Oct. 15, 1915
John Gillespie	Dec. 23, 1915
Benj. F. Stevens	Mar. 3, 1916
George R. Whitcher	Mar. 4, 1916
Otis Cobb	Mar. 8, 1916
Benj. O. Caldwell	Mar. 12, 1916
Harry L. Marston	May 18, 1916
John H. Davey	May 27, 1916
Harrison O. Thomas	July 28, 1916
William B. Sweatt	Aug. 24, 1916

Cyprus Commandery, No. 39

George L. Lang	Nov. 13, 1915
George F. Sumner	Mar. 27, 1916
Donald B. Smith	April 3, 1916
William H. Pinkham	May 26, 1916
Frank D. Brigham	June 5, 1916
Edward J. McNaught	June 10, 1916
John W. Kennington	June 19, 1916
Francis E. Everett	Aug. 31, 1916

Saint Paul Commandery, No. 40

Amos G. Hosmer	July 22, 1916
Henry E. Parsons	July 28, 1916

Beauseant Commandery, No. 41

George H. Chase	Oct. 21, 1915
George E. Hanscom	Dec. 28, 1915
Joseph L. Bicknell	Jan. 1, 1916
Fred T. Hawley	May 18, 1916
Joseph C. Aldrich	Aug. 3, 1916
Arthur F. Johnson	Aug. 20, 1916

Cambridge Commandery, No. 42

George E. Bridges	Oct. 1, 1915
John G. Thorogood	Nov. 23, 1915
Eben T. Sumner	Dec. 22, 1915
George H. Howard	July 20, 1916
Charles P. Keith	July 22, 1916
Edward Disney	Aug. 13, 1916
William S. Shields	Aug. 21, 1916

Bethlehem Commandery, No. 43

Fitz H. Lane	Oct. 14, 1915
Benjamin Frazier	Jan. 1, 1916
Charles B. Presson	Feb. 16, 1916
William Parsons, 3d	June 23, 1916

Saint George Commandery, No. 44

Joseph W. Trott	Jan. 23, 1916
George A. Galloupe	Feb. 7, 1916
Benjamin L. Andrews	Mar. 5, 1916
Joseph F. Clayton	May 26, 1916

Orange Commandery, No. 45

A. H. Davis	Oct. 5, 1915
L. P. Pierce	Dec. 15, 1915
P. W. Newell	Feb. 15, 1916

Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 46

Henry H. Adams	Jan. 6, 1916
Ledoit B. Ramsdell	April 8, 1916
Levi G. McKnight	July 1, 1916

Quincy Commandery, No. 47

Charles M. Bryant	Feb. —, 1916

MAINE ENCAMPMENT, PORTLAND, MAINE

Charter, March 18, 1821

Past Commanders

While under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island

Sir Rev. Solomon Sias
Sir Thomas S. Bowles
Sir Joseph M. Gerrish
Sir Samuel Fessenden

Maine Encampment ceased to be under the jurisdiction of the Grand Encampment of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, October 10, 1849. In 1854 it was removed from Portland to Gardner, where it is now located.

VILLAGE ENCAMPMENT, GREENWICH, MASS.

Charter, June 16, 1825

Past Commanders

*Sir Rev. Ezekiel L. Bascom, 1825
*Sir Rev. Lucius R. Paige, D.D., 1826
*Sir John Warner, 1827.
*Sir Rev. Joshua Flagg, 1828

The last recorded Assembly of this Encampment was held April 14, 1829. Its charter was declared forfeited by a vote of the Grand Encampment, at a Special Assembly, held February 28, 1838. The records were finally restored to the Grand Recorder, November 13, 1876, and are now in the archives of the Grand Commandery.

THE ANCIENT ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

Grand Masters from its Origin to the Death of De Molay

1 Hugh de Payens	1118	14 Philip de Plessis	1201
2 Robert of Burgundy	1139	15 William de Carnota	1217
3 Edward de Barri	1147	16 Peter de Montagu	1218
4 Bernard de Trenellape	1151	17 Armand de Petragrossa	1229
5 Bertrand de Blanchefort	1154	18 Herman de Petragrorius	1237
6 Andrew de Montbar	1165	19 William de Rupefort	1244
7 Philip of Naplus	1169	20 William de Sonnac	1247
8 Odo de St. Amand	1171	21 Reginald Vichierius	1250
9 Annold de Troye	1180	22 Thomas Beraud	1257
10 John Terricus	1185	23 William de Beaujeau	1274
11 Gerard Ridefort	1187	24 Theobald Gaudinius	1291
12 Robert Sablæus	1191	25 Jacques de Molay	1298
13 Gilbert Gralius	1196	De Molay died in 1314.	

THE AMERICAN ORDER OF THE TEMPLE

Grand Masters of the Grand Encampment

Name	Years	Residence	Died
*1 DeWitt Clinton	1816–1828	New York, N.Y.	February 11, 1828
*2 Jonathan Nye	1829–1834	Claremont, N.H.	April 1, 1843
*3 James Madison Allen	1835–1844	Cayuga, N.Y.	.....
*4 Archibald Bull	1844–1846	Troy, N.Y.	December 22, 1865
*5 William B. Hubbard	1847–1858	Columbus, Ohio	January 5, 1866
*6 Benjamin B. French	1859–1864	Washington, D.C.	August 12, 1870
*7 Henry L. Palmer	1865–1867	Milwaukee, Wis.	May 6, 1909
*8 William Sewall Gardner	1868–1870	Newton, Mass.	October 14, 1877
*9 John Q. A. Fellows	1871–1873	New Orleans, La.	November 28, 1897
*10 James H. Hopkins	1874–1876	Pittsburgh, Pa.	June 17, 1904
*11 Vincent L. Hurlbut	1877–1879	Chicago, Ill.	July 24, 1896
*12 Benjamin Dean	1880–1882	Boston, Mass.	April 9, 1897
*13 Robert E. Withers	1883–1885	Wytheville, Va.	September 21, 1907
*14 Charles Roome	1886–1889	New York, N.Y.	June 28, 1890
*15 John P. S. Gobin	1889–1892	Lebanon, Pa.	May 1, 1910
*16 Hugh McCurdy	1892–1895	Corunna, Mich.	July 16, 1908
17 Warren LaRue Thomas	1895–1898	Maysville, Ky.	.....
*18 Reuben Hedly Lloyd	1898–1901	San Francisco, Cal.	March 10, 1909
19 Henry B. Stoddard	1901–1904	Bryan, Texas	.....
20 George M. Moulton	1904–1907	Chicago, Ill.	.....
*21 Henry W. Rugg	1907–1910	Providence, R.I.	July 21, 1910
22 William B. Melish	1910–1913	Cincinnati, O.	.....
*23 Arthur Mac Arthur	1913–1914	Troy, N.Y.	December 27, 1914
24 Lee S. Smith	1916–1919	Pittsburgh, Pa	.....

* Deceased.

MASONIC CALENDAR

Ancient Craft Masons commence their era with the creation of the world, calling it Anno Lucis (A.L.), "in the year of light."

Scottish Rite, same as Ancient Craft, except the Jewish chronology is used, Anno Mundi (A.M.), "in the year of the world."

Royal Arch Masons date from the year the second temple was commenced by Zerubbabel, Anno Inventionis (A.I.), "in the year of discovery."

Royal and Select Masters date from the year in which the Temple of Solomon was completed, Anno Depositionis (A. Dep.), "in the year of the deposit."

Knights Templar commence their era with the organization of their Order, Anno Ordinis (A.O.), "in the year of the Order."

Order of High Priesthood date from the year of the blessing of Abram by the High Priest Melchisedek, Anno Benefacio (A.B.), "in the year of blessing."

Festival of St. John the Baptist, June 24.

Festival of St. John the Evangelist, December 27.

RULES FOR MASONIC DATES

Ancient Craft Masons — Add 4000 years to the common era. Thus: 1916 and 4000 —5916.

Scottish Rite — Add 3760 to the common era. Thus: 1916 and 3760 — 5676. After September add another year.

Royal Arch — Add 530 years to the vulgar era. Thus: 1916 and 530 — 2446.

Royal and Select Masters — Add 1000 to the common time. Thus: 1916 and 1000 — 2916.

Knights Templars — From the Christian era take 1118. Thus: 1118 from 1916 — 798.

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

OF THE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1916—1919

M.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith . . . . . *Grand Master*
Pittsburgh, Pa.

R.∴E.∴Sir Joseph K. Orr . . . . . *Deputy Grand Master*
Atlanta, Ga.

R.∴E.∴Sir Jehiel W. Chamberlin . . . . . *Grand Generalissimo*
St. Paul, Minn.

R.∴E.∴Sir Leonidas P. Newby . . . . . *Grand Captain General*
Knightstown, Ind.

R.∴E.∴Sir William H. Norris . . . . . *Grand Senior Warden*
Manchester, Iowa

R.∴E.∴Sir George W. Vallery . . . . . *Grand Junior Warden*
Denver, Col.

R.∴E.∴Sir and Rev. William W. Youngson . . . . *Grand Prelate*
Portland, Ore.

R.∴E.∴Sir H. Wales Lines . . . . . *Grand Treasurer*
Meridian, Conn.

R.∴E.∴Sir Frank H. Johnson . . . . . *Grand Recorder*
(Room 201 Masonic Temple) Louisville, Ky.

R.∴E.∴Sir William L. Sharf . . . . . *Grand Standard Bearer*
Chicago, Ill.

R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle . . . . . *Grand Sword Bearer*
Newtonville, Mass.

R.∴E.∴Sir Perry W. Weidner . . . . . *Grand Warder*
Los Angeles, Cal.

R.∴E.∴Sir Isaac H. Hettinger . . . . . *Grand Captain of the Guard*
Kansas City, Mo.

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETINGS OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES

No.	Time of Conclave	Place of Meeting
1	June 16, 1816	New York, N.Y.
2	September 16, 1819	New York, N.Y.
3	September 18, 1826	New York, N.Y.
4	September 14, 1829	New York, N.Y.
5	November 29, 1832	Baltimore, Md.
6	December 7, 1835	Washington, D.C.
7	September 12, 1838	Boston, Mass.
8	September 14, 1841	New York, N.Y.
9	September 10, 1844	New Haven, Conn.
10	September 12, 1847	Columbus, Ohio
11	September 10, 1850	Boston, Mass.
12	September 12, 1853	Lexington, Ky.
13	September 9, 1856	Hartford, Conn.
14	September 13, 1859	Chicago, Ill.
15	September 1, 1862	New York, N.Y.
16	September 5, 1865	Columbus, Ohio
17	September 15, 1868	St. Louis, Mo.
18	September 19, 1871	Baltimore, Md.
19	December 1, 1874	New Orleans, La.
20	August 28, 1877	Cleveland, Ohio
21	August 17, 1880	Chicago, Ill.
22	August 21, 1883	San Francisco, Cal.
23	September 21, 1886	St. Louis, Mo.
24	October 8, 1889	Washington, D.C.
25	August 9, 1892	Denver, Col.
26	August 17, 1895	Boston, Mass.
27	October 11, 1898	Pittsburgh, Pa.
28	August 27 1901	Louisville, Ky.
29	September 6, 1904	San Francisco, Cal.
30	July 9, 1907	Saratoga Springs, N.Y.
31	August 9 1910	Chicago, Ill.
32	August 12, 1913	Denver, Col.
33	June 20, 1916	Los Angeles, Cal.

CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES TO THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Name of Commandery	Location	Date of Charter
St. Johns, No. 1	Wilmington, Del.	Sept 18, 1868
Honolulu, No 1	Honolulu, H I.	Sept 22, 1871
Mexico City, No. 1	Mexico City, Mex.	July 11, 1907
DeWitt Clinton, No. 1	Reno, Nev.	Sept. 3, 1868
Eureka, No. 2	Nevada	Aug. 19, 1880
Malta	Goldfield, Nev.	Jan. 2, 1909
Far East	Manila, P I.	Dec. 2, 1909
Alaska, No. 1	Fairbanks, Alaska	July 17, 1911
Canal Zone, U.D.	Las Cascadas	April 11, 1912

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY

Date	Grand Commander	Dep. Grand Commander	Grand Generalissimo	Grand Captain General	Grand Prelate
1805	*Thomas Smith Webb		*Henry Fowle	*Jonathan Gage	
1806	" " "		" "	" "	
1807	" " "		" "	" "	
1808	" " "		" "	" "	
1809	" " "		" "	" "	
1810	" " "		" "	" "	
1811	" " "		" "	" "	
1812	" " "		" "	" "	
1813	" " "		" "	" "	
1814	" " "		" "	" "	*Thaddeus M. Harris
1815	" " "		" "	" "	"
1816	" " "		" "	*John Carlile	*Richard Carrique
1817	" " "		" "	" "	*Paul Dean
1818	*William Wilkinson	*Henry Fowle	*John Carlile	*Peter Grinnell	" "
1819	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1820	*Henry Fowle	*John Carlile	*Peter Grinnell	*Henry Purkitt	" "
1821	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1822	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1823	" "	" "	" "	*John James Loring	*John L. Blake
1824	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1825	" "	*Peter Grinnell	*John James Loring	*Josiah Whitaker	" "
1826	*John Carlile	" "	" " "	" "	"
1827	" "	" "	" " "	" "	" "
1828	" "	" "	" " "	" "	" "
1829	*John James Loring	*Josiah Whitaker	*Robert Lash	*Jacob Amee	" "
1830	" " "	" "	" "	" "	*Ezekiel L. Bascom
1831	" "	*Robert Lash	*Jacob Amee	*Thomas Power	" "
1832	*Robert Lash	*Thomas Power	*Edward A. Raymond	*Abraham A. Dame	" "
1833	*Edward A. Raymond	*Abraham A. Dame	*John Hews	*Joseph Young, Jr.	*Paul Dean
1834	" " "	" "	" "	*Gilbert Nurse	" "
1835	*Abraham A. Dame	*John Hews	*Gilbert Nurse	*Charles W. Moore	" "
1836	" "	" "	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	" "
1837	*John Hews	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	" "
1838	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1839	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	*William Field	*Luther Hamilton
1840	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Commander	Dep. Grand Commander	Grand Generalissimo	Grand Captain General	Grand Prelate
1841	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	*William Field	*Paul Dean
1842	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	*Ruel Baker	*Barney Merry	" "
1843	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1844	" "	" "	" "	*James Saulsbury	" "
1845	*John B. Hammatt	*Ruel Baker	*James Saulsbury	*Samuel Fessenden	*Albert Case
1846	" "	" "	*John R. Bradford	*James Hutchinson	" "
1847	*Ruel Baker	*John R. Bradford	*James Hutchinson	*Simon W. Robinson	" "
1848	*John R. Bradford	*James Hutchinson	*Simon W. Robinson	*Winslow Lewis	*Addison Searle
1849	" "	" "	" "	" "	*H. A. Wilcox
1850	" "	" "	" "	*Moses Richardson	" "
1851	*James Hutchinson	*Simon W. Robinson	*Daniel Harwood	*Asa Woodbury	" "
1852	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Thomas R. Lambert
1853	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1854	*Simon W. Robinson	*Daniel Harwood	*John McClellan	*Cyrus Fisher	" "
1855	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1856	*Daniel Harwood	*John McClellan	*Cyrus Fisher	*James W. Crooks	*William R. Alger
1857	" "	" "	*Samuel Lewis	*John B. Read	" "
1858	*Winslow Lewis	*William Field	*Charles Robbins	*George F. Wilson	" "
1859	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1860	*William Field	*William Ellison	*Edwin C. Bailey	*William S. Gardner	*Thomas R Lambert
1861	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Charles H. Titus
1862	*William Ellison	*Edwin C. Bailey	*William S. Gardner	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	*Thomas A. Doyle
1863	*William S. Gardner	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	*William W. Baker	*Thomas A. Doyle	*William S. Studley
1864	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1865	*Rev. Charles H. Titus	*William W. Baker	*Thomas A. Doyle	*Benjamin Dean	" "
1866	" " "	" "	*Henry Butler	" "	*John W. Dadmun
1867	*William W. Baker	*Benjamin Dean	*William B. Blanding	*William S. Shurtleff	" "
1868	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1869	*Benjamin Dean	*William S. Shurtleff	*Nicholas Van Slyck	Charles A. Stott	" "
1870	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1871	*Nicholas Van Slyck	Charles A. Stott	*Horace Daniels	*Henry Chickering	*George S. Noyes
1872	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1873	*Charles A. Stott	*Rev. Henry W. Rugg	*Wyzeman Marshall	*John Dean	" "
1874	" "	*Samuel C. Lawrence	*John Dean	*Nelson W. Aldrich	*Thomas E. St. John
1875	*Rev. Henry W. Rugg	*John Dean	*Nelson W. Aldrich	George E. Stacy	" "
1876	" " "	" "	" "	" "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Commander	Dep. Grand Commander	Grand Generalissimo	Grand Captain General	Grand Prelate
1877	*John Dean	*Nelson W. Aldrich	*William H. Kent	Caleb Saunders	*Thomas E. St. John
1878	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1879	*Nelson W. Aldrich	*William H. Kent	Caleb Saunders	*George H Burnham	" "
1880	*William H. Kent	Caleb Saunders	*George H. Burnham	*Charles C. Hutchinson	*Henry W. Rugg
1881	" "	" "	" "	" "	*John W. Dadmun
1882	Caleb Saunders	*Charles C. Hutchinson	*George W. Fay	Edward P. Chapin	" "
1883	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1884	*Charles C. Hutchinson	*George H. Burnham	Edward P Chapin	George H. Allen	" "
1885	*George H Burnham	Edward P Chapin	George H. Allen	*Edward L. Freeman	" "
1886	Edward P. Chapin	George H. Allen	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	" "
1887	George H. Allen	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	" "
1888	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H. Chamberlain	" "
1889	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H.Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	" "
1890	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H. Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Leonard B. Hatch
1891	*Robert H. Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Charles C. Fry	*P. Voorhees Finch
1892	William H. H. Soule	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Charles C. Fry	*Eugene H. Richards	" "
1893	*Charles C. Fry	*Samuel C. Lawrence	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	*Thomas E. St. John
1894	Samuel C. Lawrence	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	" "
1895	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	" "
1896	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	" "
1897	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	Charles T. Morgan
1898	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	" "
1899	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	" "
1900	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	" "
1901	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	" "
1902	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	" "
1903	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	" "
1904	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	George L. Perin
1905	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	" "
1906	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	" "
1907	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	" "
1908	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	" "
1909	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	" "
1910	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	William W. Johnson	R. Perry Bush
1911	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	William W Johnson	Walter F. Medding	" "
1912	Frank L. Nagle	William W. Johnson	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	" "
1913	William W. Johnson	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D Sherwood	" "
1914	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D. Sherwood	William H. Emerson	" "
1915	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D. Sherwood	William H. Emerson	William J. Bolton	" "
1916	Samuel D. Sherwood	William H. Emerson	William J. Bolton	Everett C. Benton	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Senior Warden	Grand Junior Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Recorder	Grand Standard Bearer
1805	*John Carlile	*Nathan Fisher	*Jeremiah F. Jenkins	*William F. Megee	*William Wilkinson
1806	*Ezra Ames	*Samuel Billings	" "	*Otis Amidon	*Stephen Howard
1807	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1808	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Nathaniel Knapp, Jr.
1809	" "	*Andrew Sigourney	*William Wilkinson	" "	" "
1810	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1811	" "	" "	" "	*John M. Eddy	" "
1812	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1813	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1814	*William Wilkinson	*Thomas Jackson	*Peter Grinnell	" "	" "
1815	" "	*John A. Shaw	" "	" "	" "
1816	" "	*Ezra Ames	" "	" "	" "
1817	*Philip Peck	*Benjamin Smith	" "	*Alexander Bowers	" "
1818	" "	" "	*Moses Richardson	*Robert Lash	" "
1819	*Benjamin Smith	*Josiah Whitaker	" "	*John R. Cotting	" "
1820	*Robert Lash	" "	" "	" "	" "
1821	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Charles C. Nichols
1822	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1823	*Josiah Whitaker	*Samuel Howe	" "	" "	*Isaac Stall
1824	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1825	*Robert Lash	" "	" "	" "	" "
1826	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1827	" "	*Richard S. Spofford	" "	*Samuel Howe	*Edward A. Raymond
1828	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1829	*Edward A. Raymond	*Thomas Power	" "	" "	*Daniel Tenney
1830	*Thomas Power	*Edward A. Raymond	" "	" "	" "
1831	*Edward A Raymond	*Abraham A Dame	" "	" "	*Joseph Young
1832	*John Hews	*Joseph Young, Jr.	" "	" "	*Gilbert Nurse
1833	*Gilbert Nurse	*Charles W. Moore	" "	" "	*John Flint
1834	*Charles W. Moore	*John Flint	*Samuel Wales	" "	*Ruel Baker
1835	*John Flint	*John B. Hammatt	" "	" "	*John R. Bradford
1836	*John B. Hammatt	*Ruel Baker	" "	" "	" "
1837	*Ruel Baker	*John R. Bradford	" "	" "	*William Bittle
1838	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Hugh H. Tuttle
1839	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1840	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Senior Warden	Grand Junior Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Recorder	Grand Standard Bearer
1841	*Ruel Baker	*John R. Bradford	*Samuel Wales	*John Hews	*Benjamin H. West
1842	*John R. Bradford	*Simon W. Robinson	" "	*Gilbert Nurse	*George L. Oakes
1843	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1844	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1845	" "	" "	*William Eaton	" "	*James Easterbrook
1846	*Simon W. Robinson	*Hugh H. Tuttle	" "	" "	*Samuel Pearce
1847	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*James Easterbrook	" "	" "	*Albert H. Kelsey
1848	" "	*Samuel Pearce	" "	" "	*Asa Walker
1849	" "	" "	" "	*Calvin Whiting	" "
1850	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1851	*Samuel Pearce	*John McClellan	" "	" "	*James W. Crooks
1852	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1853	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1854	*James W. Crooks	*John B. Read	" "	" "	*Asa Walker
1855	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1856	*John B. Read	*J. A. D. Joslin	*William Parkman	" "	*Charles B. Farnsworth
1857	*J. A. D. Joslin	*William A. Smith	" "	*Stephen Lovell	*Henry Goddard
1858	*William A. Smith	*William S. Gardner	" "	*William H. L. Smith	*Richard S. Spofford
1859	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1860	*Wyzeman Marshall	*Charles A. Davis	" "	*Solon Thornton	*George W. Bentley
1861	" "	" "	" "	" "	*Gardner T. Swarts
1862	" "	*George W. Bentley	" "	" "	*William B. Blanding
1863	*Benjamin Dean	*George A. French	" "	" "	" "
1864	" "	*William B. Blanding	" "	" "	*Gardner T. Swarts
1865	*William B. Blanding	*William S. Shurtleff	" "	" "	*William Sutton
1866	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1867	Charles A. Stott	*Nicholas Van Slyck	" "	" "	" "
1868	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1869	*Henry W. Warren	*Horace Daniels	" "	*Alfred F. Chapman	" "
1870	*Charles E. Powers	" "	" "	" "	" "
1871	*Tracy P. Cheever	*John Dean	" "	" "	" "
1872	" "	" "	" "	" "	*John Aldred
1873	*Nelson W. Aldrich	George E. Stacy	" "	" "	*Daniel E. Chase
1874	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1875	George E. Stacy	*Peter S. Bailey	" "	" "	*William D. Pool
1876	*Peter S. Bailey	*William H. Kent	" "	" "	" "

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Senior Warden	Grand Junior Warden	Grand Treasurer	Grand Recorder	Grand Standard Bearer
1877	*Samuel Mason, Jr.	*George H. Burnham	*William Parkman	*Alfred F. Chapman	*Marvin S. Fellows
1878	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1879	Charles C. Hutchinson	*Edward L. Freeman	*James H. Upham	" "	*James M. Pendleton
1880	*Edward L. Freeman	Edward P. Chapin	" "	" "	*Charles H. McClellan
1881	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1882	*Charles H. McClellan	Albert F. Dow	" "	" "	*John Haigh
1883	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1884	*Edward L. Freeman	*James Swords	" "	" "	Clinton D. Sellew
1885	*James Swords	John P. Sanborn	" "	" "	Eben D. Bancroft
1886	John P. Sanborn	*Robert H. Chamberlain	" "	" "	William H. H. Soule
1887	*Robert H. Chamberlain	William H. H. Soule	" "	" "	*Walter Cutting
1888	William H. H. Soule	*Horace E. Boynton	" "	" "	*Nathan S. Kimball
1889	*Horace E. Boynton	*Nathan S. Kimball	" "	" "	*Charles C. Fry
1890	*Charles C. Fry	*Eugene H. Richards	" "	Benjamin W. Rowell	*William R. Walker
1891	*Eugene H. Richards	*William R. Walker	" "	" "	Charles E. Pierce
1892	*William R. Walker	*Walter Cutting	" "	" "	George L. Shepley
1893	*Walter Cutting	George L. Shepley	" "	" "	*Herbert F. Morse
1894	George L. Shepley	*Herbert F. Morse	" "	" "	Winthrop Messenger
1895	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	" "	" "	George E. Hilton
1896	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	" "	" "	Freeman C. Hersey
1897	*George E. Hilton	*George H. Kenyon	" "	" "	Henry S. Rowe
1898	*George H. Kenyon	Freeman C. Hersey	" "	" "	*Hunter C. White
1899	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	" "	" "	Edwin A. Blodgett
1900	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	" "	" "	E. Bentley Young
1901	Edwin A. Blodgett	E. Bentley Young	" "	" "	Charles I. Litchfield
1902	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	" "	" "	*John D. Munroe
1903	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	" "	" "	Walter W. Burnham
1904	*John D. Munroe	Walter W. Burnham	*Herbert F. Morse	" "	J. Albert Blake
1905	Walter W. Burnham	J. Albert Blake	" "	" "	Lafayette G. Blair
1906	J. Albert Blake	*Lafayette G. Blair	" "	" "	Frank L. Nagle
1907	*Lafayette G. Blair	Frank L. Nagle	" "	" "	Joseph G. Edgerly
1908	Frank L. Nagle	William W. Johnson	" "	" "	Walter F. Medding
1909	William W. Johnson	Walter F. Medding	" "	" "	Frederick I. Dana
1910	Walter F. Medding	Frederick I. Dana	" "	" "	Samuel D. Sherwood
1911	Frederick I. Dana	Samuel D. Sherwood	" "	" "	William H. Emerson
1912	Samuel D. Sherwood	William H. Emerson	E. Bentley Young	" "	William J. Bolton
1913	Wm. H. Emerson	William J. Bolton	" "	" "	Everett C. Benton
1914	William J. Bolton	Everett C. Benton	" "	" "	Harry C Pollard
1915	Everett C. Benton	Harry G. Pollard	" "	" "	Henry C. Dexter
1916	Harry G. Pollard	Henry C. Dexter	" "	" "	Roland O. Lamb

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Sword Bearer	Grand Warder	Grand Captain of the Guard	Grand Sentinel	Place where the Annual Conclave was Held
1805	*John Davis		*Nicholas Hoppin		Providence, R.I.
1806	*Stephen Foster	*Henry Purkitt	" "		Boston, Mass.
1807	" "	" "	" "		" "
1808	" "	" "	" "		Providence, R.I.
1809	" "	" "	" "		Newburyport, Mass.
1810	" "	" "	" "		Boston, Mass.
1811	" "	" "	" "		Providence, R.I.
1812	" "	" "	" "		Boston, Mass.
1813	" "	" "	*Edward Oliver		" "
1814	" "	" "	" "		" "
1815	" "	*Samuel Jackson	*William P. R. Benson		Providence, R.I.
1816	*John J. Loring	*John A. Shaw	*Edward Oliver		Boston Mass.
1817	" "	*H. Y. Cranston	" "		Providence, R.I.
1818	" "	" "	" "		Boston, Mass.
1819	" "	" "	" "		"
1820	*Samuel Howe	*John J. Loring	" "		" "
1821	" "	" "	*Ebenezer Oliver		" "
1822	" "	" "	" "		Providence, R.I.
1823	*Hector Coffin	*Jacob Amee		*Ebenezer Oliver	Boston, Mass.
1824	*Eleazer Wyer	" "		" "	Providence, R.I.
1825	*Thomas Power	" "		" "	Boston Mass.
1826	" "	"		" "	Providence, R.I.
1827	" "	" "		" "	Boston, Mass.
1828	" "	" "		" "	Providence, R.I.
1829	*Joseph Young	*Abraham A. Dame		" "	Boston, Mass.
1830	" "	" "		" "	" "
1831	*John Hews	*Daniel Tenney		" "	" "
1832	*Charles W. Moore	" "		" "	" "
1833	*Ruel Baker	" "		*William C. Martin	" "
1834	*John R. Bradford	*John B. Hammatt		" "	" "
1835	*Winslow Lewis, Jr.	*Ruel Baker		" "	" "
1836	*Simon W. Robinson	*Winslow Lewis, Jr.		" "	" "
1837	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*Simon W. Robinson		" "	" "
1838	*Winslow Lewis, Jr.	" "		" "	" "
1839	" "	" "		" "	" "
1840	*Benjamin H. West	" "		*William Clemons	Providence, R.I.

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Continued*

Date	Grand Sword Bearer	Grand Warder	Grand Captain of the Guard	Grand Sentinel	Place where the Annual Conclave was Held
1841	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*Simon W. Robinson			Boston, Mass.
1842	*Benjamin H. West	*Hugh H. Tuttle			" "
1843	" "	" "			" "
1844	*Hugh H. Tuttle	*William Eaton			" "
1845	" "	*William C. Barker			" "
1846	*James Easterbrook	*Alexander H. Putney			" "
1847	*Samuel Pearce	*Asa Woodbury			" "
1848	*Albert H. Kelsey	" "			" "
1849	" "	" "			" "
1850	" "	" "			" "
1851	*Asa Walker	*Cyrus Fisher			" "
1852	" "	" "			" "
1853	" "	" "			" "
1854	*John A. D. Joslin	*Nathan H. Gould			Providence, R.I.
1855	" "	" "			Boston, Mass.
1856	*Asa Walker	" "			" "
1857	*Charles B. Farnsworth	*Benjamin Dean			Providence, R.I.
1858	*Benjamin Dean	*William B. Blanding			Boston, Mass.
1859	" "	" "			" "
1860	*Gardner T. Swarts	" "			" "
1861	*Mark Symonds	*William S. Shurtleff		*Eben F. Gay	Providence, R.I.
1862	*Gardner T. Swarts	*E. I. Titcomb	*William F. Salmon	" "	Boston, Mass.
1863	" "	*William F. Salmon	*John Shepley	" "	Providence, R.I.
1864	*Seth P. Miller	" "	" "	" "	Boston, Mass.
1865	" "	*Horace Daniels	Henry P. Perkins	" "	" "
1866	*Tracy P. Cheever	" "	" "	" "	" "
1867	" "	*Henry W. Warren	" "	" "	" "
1868	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1869	*Edward H. Brainard	*Henry P. Perkins	*Levi L. Webster	" "	Providence, R.I.
1870	*Henry Chickering	*Stafford W. Razee	*James M. Pendleton	" "	Boston, Mass.
1871	*Stafford W. Razee	*George W. Ray	George E. Stacy	" "	" "
1872	" "	" "	" "	*Frederick A. Pierce	Providence, R.I.
1873	*Hocum E. Hosford	*William H. Kent	*George H. Burnham	*Eben F. Gay	Boston, Mass.
1874	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1875	*George H. Burnham	" "	Caleb Saunders	*Benjamin F. Nourse	Providence, R.I.
1876	" "	Caleb Saunders	*George Moulton	" "	Boston, Mass

ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY—*Concluded*

Date	Grand Sword Bearer	Grand Warder	Grand Captain of the Guard	Grand Sentinel	Place where the Annual Conclave was Held
1877	*William D. Pool	*James M. Pendleton	*Gardner T. Sanford	*Benjamin F. Nourse	Boston, Mass.
1878	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1879	Charles B. Lancaster	*John Kent	Francello G. Jillson	" "	" "
1880	Walter B. Vincent	" "	*Joseph B. Mason	" "	" "
1881	Arthur G. Pollard	" "	" "	" "	" "
1882	*Dexter B. Vickary	*John L. Stevenson	Henry Field, Jr.	" "	" "
1883	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
1884	*Henry W. Hartwell	John P. Sanborn	*Baalis Sanford	" "	" "
1885	*D. Frank Robinson	*Samuel O. Daniels	William H. H Soule	" "	" "
1886	*Walter Cutting	Charles C. Spellman	*Nathan S. Kimball	" "	" "
1887	*Nathan S. Kimball	*Charles C. Fry	Thomas Kellough	*Eugene Stevens	" "
1888	*Charles C. Fry	*Alvord O. Miles	*Eugene H. Richards	" "	" "
1889	*Eugene H. Richards	Charles E. Pierce	*Frank T. Dwinell	" "	" "
1890	Charles E. Pierce	*Alvord O. Miles	*Frederick J. Foss	" "	" "
1891	*Walter Cutting	*George L. Allen	" "	" "	" "
1892	*Herbert F. Morse	Winthrop Messenger	Green Davis	" "	" "
1893	Winthrop Messenger	*George E. Hilton	Henry G. Jordan	*Henry D. Wilder	" "
1894	*George E. Hilton	Henry G. Jordan	*Albion F. Welch	" "	" "
1895	Henry G. Jordan	Freeman C. Hersey	Dana J. Flanders	J. Frank Child	" "
1896	Freeman C. Hersey	W. Howard Walker	Henry S. Rowe	*John D. Munroe	" "
1897	Dana J. Flanders	Edwin A. Blodgett	Henry K. Dunton	William E. Wilcox	" "
1898	Edwin A. Blodgett	*John D. Munroe	E. Bentley Young	" "	" "
1899	E. Bentley Young	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D Munroe	" "	" "
1900	Charles I. Litchfield	*John D. Munroe	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "
1901	*John D. Munroe	*J. Herbert Bowen	Charles A. Peabody	" "	" "
1902	Walter W. Burnham	Thomas L. Phillips	J. Albert Blake	" "	" "
1903	J. Albert Blake	W. Howard Walker	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "
1904	*Lafayette G. Blair	Charles E. Pierce	Frank L. Nagle	" "	" "
1905	Frank L. Nagle	Samuel D. Sherwood	Joseph G. Edgerly	" "	" "
1906	Samuel D. Sherwood	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "	" "
1907	Robert L. Spencer	Henry H. Litchfield	William W. Johnson	" "	" "
1908	Frederick I. Dana	Judson C. McKenzie	Charles E. Pierce	" "	" "
1909	Samuel D Sherwood	Frank T. Pearce	Isaac Chase	" "	" "
1910	William H Emerson	R. Walter Hilliard	Harry G. Pollard	" "	" "
1911	William J Bolton	Charles E. Pierce	Everett C. Benton	" "	" "
1912	Everett C. Benton	Asa C. Jewett	Harry G. Pollard	" "	" "
1913	Harry G Pollard	Charles A. Harrington	Isaac Chase	" "	" "
1914	Charles R. Hunt	Charles E. Prior	Henry C Dexter	" "	" "
1915	Asa C. Jewett	Joseph H Potter	Charles R. Hunt	" "	" "
1916	Charles R. Hunt	Asa C. Jewett	Robert F. Warren	" "	" "

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

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To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Officers, and Eminent Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island:

Your Correspondent respectfully submits the following report, being the review of the Proceedings of the following Grand Jurisdictions, Proceedings not being received from Canada, England and Wales, and South Carolina.

Alabama	1916	Nebraska	1916
Arkansas	1916	New Hampshire	1915
Arizona	1916	New Jersey	1916
California	1916	New Mexico	1915
Colorado	1915	New York	1915
Connecticut	1916	North Carolina	1915
District of Columbia	1916	North Dakota	1916
Florida	1916	Ohio	1915
Georgia	1916	Oklahoma	1916
Idaho	1915	Oregon	1915
Illinois	1915, 1916	Pennsylvania	1916
Indiana	1916	South Dakota	1916
Iowa	1916	Tennessee	1916
Kansas	1916	Texas	1916
Kentucky	1916	Utah	1916
Louisiana	1916	Vermont	1916
Maine	1915	Virginia	1915
Maryland	1916	Washington	1915
Michigan	1916	West Virginia	1916
Minnesota	1916	Wisconsin	1915
Mississippi	1916	Wyoming	1916
Missouri	1916	Grand Encampment	1916
Montana	1915		

Alabama, 1916

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave held in the city of Birmingham, April 26 and 27, 1916.

The officers of Grand Commandery, being previously assembled at the Tutwiler Hotel, were escorted by Cyrene Commandery, No. 10, and the visiting Sir Knights to the First Methodist Episcopal Church, where divine services were held. At the conclusion of the services the Grand Commandery was escorted to the asylum of Cyrene Commandery, No. 10, where Grand Commandery was opened in ample form.

All the Grand Officers present.

Immediately after the opening an address of welcome was delivered by R.∴E.∴Sir Russell M. Cunningham.

The report of the Committee on Credentials showed, besides the Grand Officers present, thirteen Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of thirty-two sister Grand Jurisdictions, R.∴E.∴Sir Russell M. Cunningham, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

The address of Grand Commander R.∴E.∴Sir Hartsford L. Ison followed. He said he was glad to report the year had been a banner one in the Order throughout the jurisdiction. The membership had been largely increased. While he had issued but one dispensation for a new Commandery, the existing Commanderies were increasing in strength and material welfare. Among his decisions was one that fees for the Order of Knighthood could not be waived or remitted in favor of a minister of the gospel. He also pays due tribute to the knightly dead of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts with balance on hand of $3,564.11; balance on hand after expenditures, $1,126.56.

The report of the Grand Recorder shows membership of 2,032, a net gain for the year of 224.

The Committee on Jewels reported they had procured jewels for the retiring Grand Commander and eight other Past Grand Commanders, and the same were duly presented to those who were present.

An amendment to the Constitution was adopted, that "For each Knight Templar borne upon the rolls at the date of the annual returns, $1.75, 25c of which shall be put aside and constitute a fund to be known as the Triennial Fund, and used only for triennial purposes."

Among the visitors present was V.∴E.∴Sir Joseph K. Orr, representative of the Acting Grand Master, who addressed Grand Commandery, expressing his great appreciation of the hospitality extended to him by the Grand Commandery of Alabama and the fraters of Cyrene Commandery.

At the election of officers Sir William W. Ransom was elected Grand Commander, Sir George A. Beauchamp re-elected Grand Recorder.

Like the great majority of the committees of other Grand Commanderies, the Committee on Appeals and Grievances reported that nothing had been forwarded to them that required their consideration.

There was present at this conclave the oldest living Past Grand Commander, and the matter was ordered to be made record of in the Proceedings.

The balance of the proceedings were purely local.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by Sir Nathaniel L. Mewhinney, who reviews the various Grand Jurisdictions under different headings, and like his former reviews is a decided departure from the usual custom of correspondents. The review is interesting and readable, and Sir Mewhinney deserves much credit for the time he has given to the culling out of these various subjects from the Proceedings.

R.∴E.∴Sir William W. Ransom, Birmingham, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir George A. Beauchamp, Montgomery, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Tuscaloosa, April 25, 1917.

Arizona, 1916

The Twenty-third Annual Conclave held in the city of Tucson, the thirteenth day of March, 1916.

All of the Grand Officers present, twelve Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the subordinate Commanderies. There were also present twenty-two representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, among the number being E.∴Sir George J. Roskruge, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The first business after the report of the Committee on Credentials was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir Benjamin W. Widener, Grand Commander of California, representing the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States, who was received with the honors becoming his rank and courteously welcomed by the R.∴E.∴Grand Commander.

The address of R.∴E.∴Sir Frederick P. Cruice contains much of interest of a local nature. In it he pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. He also stated he had granted dispensation for a new Commandery to be located at Tombstone, to be known as Tombstone Commandery. His dispensations were few and all for constitutional purposes. One request to ballot upon petitions out of time was refused.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the present number of members 510, a gain for the year of 9.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $1,918.80.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended the granting of a charter to Tombstone Commandery, to be known as number six, which was adopted.

The Committee on Fraternal Correspondence reported that in view of the action of Grand Commandery in 1914 in discontinuing the publication of the Report on Correspondence, that the resolution be continued, and recommended that no report of the committee be published this year.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir Harry T. Southworth

was elected Grand Commander, E.·.Sir George J. Roskruge re-elected Grand Recorder.

R.·.E.·.Sir Harry T. Southworth, Prescott, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir George J. Roskruge, Tucson, Grand Recorder.

The next Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Nogales, on Monday, February 12, 1917.

Arkansas, 1916

The Forty-fourth Annual Conclave held at Little Rock, May 16, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Deputy Grand Commander and Grand Standard Bearer; ten Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-eight sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom we fail to find the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The first business was the reception of R.·.E.·.Sir William H. Glancy, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Missouri and the personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. R.·.E.·.Sir Glancy was escorted into the asylum and tendered the sword as the emblem of authority, but waived the same and briefly addressed Grand Commandery in a very pleasing manner, deferring more extended remarks until a more convenient season, and was seated in the east.

Following the appointment of committees, R.·.E.·.Sir J. L. W. Grover delivered his annual address. His dispensations were few and his decisions also, and all in compliance with Templar law. The address contains an extended report of his official visitations to Commanderies. Under head of "Condition of the Order" he reported that he had visited each Commandery in the jurisdiction and that all of the Commanderies were doing good work and progressing satisfactorily with the exception of two, and that all these two needed was a little more attention and encouragement to become active.

At the conclusion of his address the Grand Commandery adjourned until the following forenoon.

A Special Conclave of Hugh de Payens Commandery of Little Rock was held in the presence of the officers, members, and visitors at the Grand Commandery, and the Order of Malta was conferred with full ceremonial.

Grand Commandery was called to Order Thursday morning, followed by prayer by the Eminent Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Recorder made his report, from which it is found that the whole number of members is 1,486, a net gain for the year of 43.

The Grand Treasurer reported total receipts with balance on hand of $4,402.18; expenditures, $1,904.88.

At the election of officers Sir Knight John H. Fulson was elected Grand Commander, E.·.Sir Fay Hempstead re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by that distinguished frater Fay Hempstead, who devotes eighty-six pages to the same. As usual the report is opened with a Proemial, his subject "The Modern Knight," and we are pleased to excerpt the same.

"THE MODERN KNIGHT
By Fay Hempstead
Poet Laureate of Freemasonry

We may not wield the mace or shield,
No champing steed may neigh;
No light may glance from barb or lance,
Nor shrilling clarion bray;
But Honor calls from Knightly Halls,
And loud her clarion rings:
Hold fast the Good! And honor Him,
Our Captain — King of Kings.

The review of Massachusetts and Rhode Island occupies a page, in which he gives a splendid resumé of all that occurred and sets it forth correctly.

R.·.E.·.Sir John H. Fulson, Cotter, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Fay Hempstead, Little Rock, Grand Recorder.

The Forty-fifth Annual Conclave to be held in the asylum of Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 18, in the city of Jonesboro, on the third Tuesday in May, 1917.

California, 1916

This handsome volume of Proceedings emanating from the office of Sir Thomas A. Davies, Grand Recorder, is up to the usual standard, and is embellished with a Bather portrait of R.∴E.∴Sir Elmer E. Stone, newly elected Grand Commander.

The Forty-eighth Annual Conclave held in the city of San Francisco, April 20, 1916.

The first business after the opening was the report of the Committee on Credentials, who reported all the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Grand Senior Warden and Grand Warder, who were absent in Washington, D. C., on government business; ten Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-six sister Grand Jurisdictions, E. Sir Albert E. Boynton, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number. The Grand Representatives in attendance were then heartily welcomed and requested to communicate to their respective Grand Jurisdictions the felicitations of the Grand Commandery of California and the best wishes of its members for their future prosperity and happiness.

Grand Commander Perry W. Weidner then delivered his address. After saluting the members present he paid due respect to the deceased fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. He reported the constituting of Glendale Commandery, No. 53. He also granted dispensation to eighteen Sir Knights at El Centro to form and open a Commandery at that place, to be called Imperial Valley Commandery. His dispensations were all in accordance with constitutional law and his decisions were practically all governed by constitutional law. Under the heading of "Uniform," he states that, it having been reported to him that there were cases where members of the Order have not complied with the rules of the Order and procured a uniform in accordance with the standard of their particular Commandery, he quotes the law and section thereof which governs same, as follows:

"That all companions of the Red Cross, before receiving the Order of the Temple, shall equip themselves with the uniform of a Knight Templar, as prescribed by this Grand Jurisdiction, and pass a satisfactory examination in the school of the Sir Knight, the manual of the sword, and the cuts, signs, grips, and words of the Illustrious Order of the Red Cross.

"In compliance with the above, I take it that it would be quite proper for every Commandery to adopt some system whereby they will satisfy themselves that every candidate for the Order of the Temple has complied therewith. At any rate, this rule should be strictly enforced."

From his recommendations we quote the following:

"It has always occurred to me that a group of Knights Templar about to organize a Commandery of Knights Templar are oftentimes more enthusiastic than circumstances justify. A recent experience of this Grand Commandery leads me to suggest that an amendment be added to our laws to provide that no group of Sir Knights to whom dispensation has been granted to open and form a Commandery be permitted to incur any indebtedness for paraphernalia and Commandery equipment before first obtaining the approval of the Grand Commander."

Regarding the publishing of the names of every member of the Commanderies in the Proceedings, he says:

"The practice of publishing the name of every member of our Commanderies in the Proceedings of our Grand Commandery has, to my mind, no value; moreover it adds greatly to the expense of publication and is a custom which many Grand Masonic Bodies have discontinued. The practice has also been the means of furnishing merchants, agents, and promoters with valuable mailing lists, which is an unfair advantage. Therefore I respectfully recommend the discontinuance of that practice in this Grand Commandery."

In his Conclusion he has a word of admonition to those who are officers in the Commanderies in California, saying too frequently are honors accepted without the full realization of the responsibilities that follow. That it is not enough to attend the meetings and learn the work of the ritual, but they should continually strive to better the Commandery and liven the interests of the fraters, by being alert and on the lookout for

the one thousand and one things that will enthuse them. He says this should be the constant aim of the Commander and his staff, and if willing to accept the title and decoration we must be ready always to do the work, which is excellent advice.

The Grand Recorder reports present membership 7,708, a net gain for the year of 52.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with cash on hand, $70,258.42; disbursements, $32,766.97. Assets of Grand Commandery are $86,091.45.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that charter be granted to Imperial Valley Commandery, U. D., and the same was granted.

Like nearly all of the Grand Commanderies, the Committee on Grievances and Appeals reported that harmony existed and nothing had been presented to them for consideration.

At the election of officers Sir Knight Elmer E. Stone was elected Grand Commander, Sir Knight Thomas A. Davies re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Correspondence, Sir Thomas A. Davies, submits ninety-five pages which are up to the usual standard. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two and one half pages of courteous review. Sir Thomas comments on our calling him a "veteran" in our last review. Certainly from the way he writes we came to the conclusion that he must be a veteran, but, however, we stand corrected, and in future will give the title where it belongs.

R.∴E.∴Sir Elmer E. Stone, San Francisco, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Thomas A. Davies, San Francisco, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-ninth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Sacramento, Thursday, April 19, 1917.

Colorado, 1915

The Fortieth Annual Conclave opened in Masonic Temple, Denver, Colorado, Friday, September 24, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present, fifteen Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-nine sister Grand

Jurisprudence, our good frater Lawrence N. Greenleaf, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

The first business after the opening was the reception of V.∴E.∴Sir George W. Vallery, Grand Warder of the Grand Encampment of the United States, who was received with honors due his rank and welcomed by the Grand Commander.

One of the commendable customs of this Grand Jurisdiction is the calling of the roll of deceased Grand Commanders, which was done at this conclave, the Sir Knights standing in silence with bowed heads, as the tribute of respect to the deceased Past Grand Commanders was rendered.

The address of R.∴E.∴Sir John W. Wingate, Grand Commander, occupies thirty-five pages of the Proceedings, in which he faithfully portrays all the transactions of his office in a well-written and readable report. His dispensations were few and all in accordance with constitutional law. Among others he issued a dispensation to the constitutional number of Sir Knights to form and open a Commandery to be located at Delta, in the State of Colorado, to be known as Delta Commandery, U. D.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $14,064.67; balance on hand after disbursements, $11,471.32.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the total membership 3,320, a net gain for the year of 96.

From the report of the Committee on the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Association, it was voted that an appropriation of one hundred dollars for the purpose of being a charter member therein be adopted.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations reported favorably on the application of the Sir Knights at Delta for a Commandery to be located at that place, and their report was adopted. This committee also reported that conditions in some portions of the State were such that some of the Commanderies found it difficult to maintain their integrity, but the committee rejoiced to know that the members of these Commanderies still possessed the qualities of good cheer and hopefulness, and that they desired Grand Commandery to assure them they fully

recognized the conditions under which they are working, and were always ready to assist them to keep intact their organization.

The report of the Committee on Necrology by E.∴Sir Will D. Grisard is a splendidly written document, paying fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

At the election of officers Sir Knight Benjamin L. James was elected Grand Commander, Sir Charles H. Jacobson re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by Sir William D. Todd, and is his second report. He reviews all of the Grand Jurisdictions except North Carolina, which had not been received. One hundred and twenty-seven pages are devoted to this review, and, like his first report, it is a well-written and able document and speaks well for his ability as a reviewer. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two and one half pages. He compliments your correspondent by clipping our Foreword in full.

R.∴E.∴Sir Benjamin L. James, Denver, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Charles H. Jacobson, Denver, Grand Recorder.

The Forty-first Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Denver, September 22, 1916.

Connecticut, 1916

The volume opens with a splendid Bather portrait of that distinguished frater George H. N. Johnson, Grand Commander.

The Eighty-ninth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Bridgeport, March 21, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, twelve Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-eight sister Grand Jurisdictions, our good and worthy frater Eli C. Birdsey, Grand Recorder, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being present.

Following the appointment of committees, the Grand Commander delivered his address, in which he faithfully sets forth the transactions of his office during his incumbency. In his Conclusion he pays fitting tribute to the ability of Grand

Recorder Birdsey, praying that his life might be spared for many years to the fraters of Connecticut, and especially to Grand Commandery.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows receipts with balance on hand of $5,055.50; disbursements, $2,684.25; Permanent Fund, $8,886.17.

Grand Recorder Birdsey's report shows the number of members 4,267, a net increase for the year of 98.

At the election of officers Sir Albert W. Mattoon was elected Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir Eli C. Birdsey re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence by R.∴E.∴Sir Samuel J. Bryant, ninety-three pages, is a splendid report. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention. He commends us as Grand Recorder for promptness in sending out the Proceedings of this Grand Commandery.

R.∴E.∴Sir Albert W. Mattoon, New Haven, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir Eli C. Birdsey, Meriden, Grand Recorder.

The Ninetieth Annual Conclave will be held at New Haven, March 20, 1917.

District of Columbia, 1916

A Special Conclave held in the city of Washington, June 28, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Grand Commander; six Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the five Commanderies of the jurisdiction.

The Acting Grand Commander stated that this Special Conclave had been called for the purpose of receiving the report of a special committee appointed by the Grand Commander pursuant to a resolution adopted at the last Annual Conclave. This committee was appointed to inquire into the financial affairs of Grand Commandery and consider what action should be taken with reference to the expense of the representatives to the Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment.

The committee made a very extended report as to the con-

dition of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia, among other things saying that during the past nineteen years the Commanderies as a whole have only shown a growth of seven per cent. They recommended that Commanderies be authorized to suspend the operation of the provisions of their by-laws relating to compulsory uniforming, and to receive petitions for the Orders without obligation on the part of the petitioners to procure a uniform. That the sum of $200 be appropriated for the expenses of the Grand Commander only to the Triennial Conclave, and that Templar Field Day be dispensed with for the current year.

The recommendations were adopted and Grand Commandery adjourned.

The Twenty-first Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia was held in the city of Washington, May 8, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, eleven Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of thirty-two sister Grand Commanderies, R.∴E.∴Sir Gratz E. Dunkum, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

Many distinguished guests were present. R.∴E.∴Sir Thomas F. Penman, Past Grand Commander of Pennsylvania and representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was conducted into the asylum by escort and cordially received and welcomed.

R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin B. Hesse, Grand Commander, then delivered his address. He pays fitting respect to the memory of the deceased fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. His dispensations were few in number and all for constitutional purposes. In his Conclusion he states it has been his aim during the year, in season and out of season, to promote the interests of our beloved Order. "The day was never too short, the weather too inclement, nor was there any circumstance that I permitted to hinder me in my efforts in behalf of Templarism."

That he fulfilled his endeavors is evidenced by the splendid report that he makes of his acts during his incumbency.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand $3,091.13; expenditures, $1,415.72; balance on hand, $1,675.41.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the whole number of members 1,635, a loss for the year of 8.

The Grievance Committee reported that nothing had been presented to them for consideration.

At the election of officers Sir Knight Lem. Towers, Jr., was elected Grand Commander, Sir Arvine W. Johnston re-elected Grand Recorder.

The balance of the proceedings of the conclave were purely local and no doubt of much interest to the jurisdiction.

The report on Correspondence, sixty-five pages, is by our esteemed Sir Knight and frater, George E. Corson, who in his usual finished and able manner reviewed the various Grand Jurisdictions, giving a careful resumé of the important transactions of each jurisdiction. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention of two pages and he has a kindly word for your correspondent, for which, Sir Corson, you have our grateful acknowledgments.

R.∴E.∴Sir Lem. Towers, Jr., Washington, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Arvine W. Johnston, Washington, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-second Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Washington, May 14, 1917.

Florida, 1916

The Twenty-second Annual Conclave held in the city of Orlando, April 11 and 12, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Grand Sword Bearer. Ten Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-three sister Grand Jurisdictions. We note V.∴E.∴Sir Charles H. Ketchum, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, among the number.

Following the appointment of committees R.∴E.∴Sir William R. O'Neal delivered his address, which briefly sets forth the transactions of his office during the year. He also reported dispensations having been granted to form a Commandery at St. Petersburg, to be known as Sunshine Commandery, and

the same had been duly instituted. He also recommended that the petitions from Lakeland and Titusville be granted.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand, $3,786.68.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that Sunshine Commandery, U.D., be granted a charter.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals reported that nothing had been referred to them and that peace and harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction.

At the election of officers Sir Frank B. Stoneman was elected Grand Commander, Sir Wilber P. Webster re-elected Grand Recorder.

A Past Grand Commander's jewel was presented to the retiring Grand Commander.

An amendment to the Constitution was offered by Past Grand Commander Silas B. Wright, as follows:

"Provided that elections for officers shall be by ballot and shall be without nomination. Past Commanders of Commanderies in Florida shall not be entitled to vote as such in elections for Grand Officers; they may vote on all questions signified by extending the sword arm."

R.·. E.·. Sir Frank B. Stoneman, Miami, Grand Commander.

E.·. Sir Wilber P. Webster, Jacksonville, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-third Annual Conclave to be held at Miami, Tuesday, April 10, 1917.

Georgia, 1916

The Fifty-fifth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Rome, May 10 and 11, 1916.

Previous to the formal opening there was a review and parade. The first business of the conclave was the reception of R.·. E.·. Sir William Bowen, Past Grand Commander of Tennessee, and the personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was received and cordially welcomed, to which he most eloquently responded.

Grand Commander R.·. E.·. Sir B. F. Hardeman then delivered his address, which, with Addenda, occupies fifty-three pages of the Proceedings. Among his recommendations was one, as follows:

"My attention was called to several instances where Sir Knights had sold their uniforms, and in one section of the State the practice of lending uniforms to a candidate while he was being dubbed and afterwards returned to the original owner. I therefore recommend an amendment to Standard By-laws for Commanderies, page 28, Article X, by adding the words: 'and on becoming a member of this Commandery shall be required to be continuously in possession and ownership of a regulation uniform of the Grand Commandery of Georgia, so long as he shall be a member.'"

He takes special pride in the circumstance that the membership increase during his incumbency is second to the largest in the history of the Order in the State. He pays special tribute to the unselfish assistance and helpfulness of Sir Charles S. Wood, Grand Recorder.

The report of the Grand Recorder shows membership 3,802, a net gain for the year of 356.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the Grand Officers present, twelve Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of the various Commanderies. The Grand Representatives of twenty-six sister Grand Jurisdictions, our esteemed Sir Knight Joseph K. Orr, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, among the number.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows receipts with balance on hand, $24,637.30; disbursements, $6,082.36.

From the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence we excerpt the following:

"Your committee cannot return this report without attesting its high appreciation of the patient and painstaking efforts of the Grand Commander in so thoroughly investigating the complaints of his fraters, and in so wisely conserving the interests of the Order by his wise conclusions. His sincere regard for the landmarks and time-honored custom are highly

commendable. Principles are eternal and immutable. Customs are the result of experience, and when once fixed, because they are good, should rarely be changed."

The Committee on Memorials, in a splendid report, paid fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

At the election of officers Sir Robert L. Wylly was elected Grand Commander, E.∴Sir Charles S. Wood re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by Sir Charles S. Wood, who submits his Seventh Annual Review. That he does it well and painstakingly is evidenced by the complete report submitted. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two and one half pages, and the review is complete in every respect.

R.∴E.∴Sir Robert L. Wylly, Thomasville, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Charles S. Wood, Savannah, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave to be held in Thomasville, May 2, 1917.

Idaho, 1915

The Twelfth Annual Conclave was held in the city of Idaho Falls, June 15, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Grand Treasurer, Grand Standard Bearer, and Grand Captain of the Guard.

The Committee on Credentials reported two Past Grand Commanders present and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies.

Following the appointment of committees, R.∴E.∴Sir Ralph T. Morgan, Grand Commander, delivered his annual address. The address fully covers all the transactions of his year of office, and is purely of a local nature.

The Grand Recorder reported the whole number of Knights Templar 753, a net gain for the year of 19.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand $1,760.25; expenditures, $1,657.07.

At the election of officers Sir James H. Gaut was elected Grand Commander and Sir Lewis W. Ensign re-elected Grand Recorder.

Calling the roll of representatives of sister Grand Commanderies twelve responded, Massachusetts and Rhode Island being represented by E.∴Sir Byron E. Hyatt.

The Committee on Memorials append a report and list of the fraternal dead of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

No report on Correspondence.

R.∴E.∴Sir James H. Gaut, Lewiston, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Lewis W. Ensign, Boisé, Grand Recorder.

The Thirteenth Annual Conclave to be held in Boisé, May 16 and 17, 1916.

Illinois, 1915

The Fifty-ninth Annual Conclave held in the city of Chicago, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 26 and 27, 1915.

The volume opens with a half-tone portrait of Thomas Albert Stevens, Grand Commander, and is interspersed with many half-tone plates of subjects that are both interesting and well executed. The book also contains half-tone portraits of all the Grand Officers.

All the Grand Officers were present at the opening of Grand Commandery.

The first business after the appointment of committees was the reception of V.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was formally introduced under escort and cordially welcomed. V.∴E.∴Sir Smith responded at length.

The address of the Grand Commander followed and is a concise report of the transactions of his office during his incumbency and is evidence of the painstaking labor that he devoted to his office. His decisions were many, but were all in accord with constitutional law. He refused several applications for dispensations to receive and ballot upon candidates out of time. He also reported he had received request for dispensation to form a Commandery to be known as Malta

Commandery, to be situated in the city of Chicago, and after thorough investigation as to whether another Commandery could be supported in the locality, he deemed it advisable to neither grant nor refuse, but to submit the matter to Grand Commandery. (The Committee on Charters and Dispensations later recommended the granting of the charter, which was adopted.) He pays fitting tribute to Grand Recorder Darrah for his counsel and assistance, which had been of great benefit to his administration.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $33,875.50; disbursements, $22,631.11, leaving balance on hand $11,244.39. He also reported he had in trust for Grand Commandery, bonds, mortgages, and loans of $20,000.00, making the total assets of Grand Commandery, $31,244.39.

Grand Recorder Delmar D. Darrah reported that the membership was 18,799, a net gain for the year of 439.

At the election of officers Sir Knight Louis Albert Mills was elected Grand Commander, Sir Delmar D. Darrah re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report of the Committee on Templar Dead occupies nineteen pages of the Proceedings and is a splendid tribute to the memory of the deceased fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

An amendment offered by V.∴E.∴Sir Mills, which had been referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, and by them referred back to Grand Commandery for action, was adopted as follows:

"The use of spirituous, vinous, or malt liquors as a beverage in a hall of Knights Templar, or at any banquet, social, drill, or other unction given by, under the auspices of, or for the benefit of Knights Templar is prohibited."

The Grand Commander then called the roll of Grand Representatives near the Grand Commandery of Illinois and thirty-four responded, among whom we find R.∴E.∴Sir Stuart E. Pierson, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

Among the pleasant occurrences of the conclave was the presentation of jewels to eighteen Past Grand Commanders.

The report on Correspondence, occupying 210 pages, is by E.∴Sir Arthur M. Otman, who most ably reviews all the Grand Jurisdictions, including Massachusetts and Rhode Island, calling our report "full and complete." E.∴Sir Otman makes many comments and suggestions in the report, which are very timely and interesting.

R.∴E.∴Sir Louis A. Mills, Decatur, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Delmar D. Darrah, Bloomington, Grand Recorder.

The Sixtieth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Decatur on the first Tuesday in October, 1916.

Illinois, 1916

The Sixtieth Annual Conclave held in the city of Decatur, Tuesday, October 3, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present. The R.∴E.∴Grand Commander being indisposed, called V.∴E.∴Sir Andrew J. Redmond to preside in his place.

The first business after the report of the Committee on Credentials was the presentation by the Grand Recorder of papers pertaining to petition for Malta Commandery and petition for a new Commandery by the Sir Knights residing at Pontiac, which were referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

It having been announced that R.∴E.∴Sir Jehiel W. Chamberlain, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment and Inspecting Officer for the Grand Commandery of Illinois, was in the anteroom, the Grand Commander appointed a committee, who retired and presently ushered into the asylum R.∴E.∴Sir Chamberlain. The Grand Commander welcomed the distinguished Templar and tendered him the welcome of Grand Commandery.

R.∴E.∴Sir Louis A. Mills then delivered his annual address. This record of the transactions of his office contains everything that could be desired and is a faithful portrayal of the duties of his official position. His decisions were many and all in accord with constitutional law. He reported the restoration of the charter of Belvidere Commandery, No.2, which had been arrested,

and the constitution of Austin Commandery, No. 84, at Austin. He recommended the statutes be amended so that in cities where there are more than one Commandery having concurrent jurisdiction it shall be the duty of the Recorder to give immediate notice in writing to all other Commanderies situated in said city of the reception of all petitions for orders, before ballot thereon, stating the name, occupation, and place of residence of the petitioner, provided that no petition for the Orders be balloted upon in less than four weeks from the date it is received by the Commandery. In his Conclusion he says that the Grand Commandery of Illinois stands foremost among the Templar organizations of the world, and as long as its banner is borne aloft by the present high standard of Christian manhood that long this Grand Commandery will continue to challenge the admiration and respect of all mankind.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand of $35,391.55; disbursements, $22,064.36; balance on hand, $13,327.19; also securities in the hands of the Grand Treasurer amounting to $20,000, making total assets of $33,327.19.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find that the present membership is 19,407, a net gain for the year of 628.

Among the resolutions passed was the following:

"*Resolved*, That nominations by suggestion of name only for any elective office in the Grand Commandery and subordinate Commanderies of Illinois be permissible."

The Committee on Templar Dead made a voluminous report, paying fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The Committee on Grievances and Offenses stated they were happy to report that during the past Templar year the Sir Knights of the Grand Jurisdictions had been so loyal to the principles of this great Order that if any grievance or offense existed it had not come to the attention of the committee.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that a charter be granted to the Sir Knights of Pontiac to form and open a Commandery, to be known as Pontiac

Commandery, No. 85, and the report was adopted. The committee also reported on the action of the Grand Commander in refusing to issue dispensation which the Grand Commandery had voted to Malta Commandery at its annual conclave in 1915, and that after examination of the papers which were submitted to the committee they recommended this action of the Grand Commander be approved.

Upon motion of M.∴E.∴Sir George M. Moulton it was *Resolved*, "That the wearing of the Templar uniform by any person who is not a Knight Templar in good standing is hereby condemned and prohibited by this Grand Commandery."

At the election of officers V.∴E.∴Sir Andrew J. Redmond was elected Grand Commander, E.∴Sir Delmar D. Darrah re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, occupying 153 pages, is by E.∴Sir Arthur M. Otman, who reviews forty-four Grand Jurisdictions, this being his fourth report. From his Foreword we excerpt the following:

"A knowledge of what has occurred in the Templar world for the past year is doubtless desired by many members of our Order, yet we often wonder how many have the courage to wade through a report on correspondence. Not many, we imagine, yet the average Sir Knight can only attain such knowledge by so doing.

"To make such a report of sufficient interest to the average reader is to us a greater task than the compilation of this review. Perhaps a faithful few will have the temerity to brouse around these pastures, and if in so doing they find here and there an oasis amid the dry details and statistics presented, and thereby obtain a new idea or find a noteworthy action that may be helpful to the reader, we are content.

Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention with three and a half pages, and we are pleased to note he says he is in accord with the views of your Correspondent, and has followed the same in his review work, with occasional comment, in which he tries to keep from being critical. He also says, "It is very easy to find fault with others, in fact much easier than to praise, but it is really a bad habit which we can

drift into with but little effort." We are free to confess that his reports are to our liking, as they give all the necessary information to enable the fraters of the jurisdiction who read the Correspondence Report a faithful portrayal of the important transactions of the sister Grand Jurisdictions. In his Conclusion he says,

"Once more our yearly round of fraternal visits among the Grand Commanderies has ended. Nothing of vast or paramount importance has transpired in the Templar world. Peace is within our walls and prosperity within our palaces, and no discordant voice has arisen.

R.∴E.∴Sir Andrew J. Redmond, Chicago, Grand Commander.
E.∴Sir Delmar D. Darrah, Bloomington, Grand Recorder.
The Sixty-first Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Chicago the fourth Tuesday in October, 1917.

Indiana, 1916

The Sixty-second Annual Conclave, held in Indianapolis, Wednesday, May 10, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Prelate; fifteen Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of twenty-eight sister Grand Jurisdictions. We are pleased to note that distinguished frater, Sir Leonidas P. Newby, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, was among the number.

The first business after opening was the reception of distinguished visitors, among whom was V.∴E.∴Sir William L. Sharp, personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, and V.∴E.∴Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment, and other officers of sister Grand Commanderies, who were ushered into the asylum and duly welcomed.

Grand Commander R.∴E.∴Sir Adrian Hamersly then read his annual address, in which he states:

"Every Grand Commander is happy to report harmony and active interest throughout his jurisdiction, and aside from a condition existing in one of our Commanderies, about which I feel obliged to call your attention and refer to you for consideration, the excellence of Indiana Templar Masonry is most gratifying."

He issued few dispensations and refused one to ballot out of time.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find receipts with balance on hand $17,454.05; disbursements, $10,143.67.

The Grand Recorder reported total membership 8,261, a net increase for the year of 277.

At the election of officers Sir Knight James L. Randel elected Grand Commander, Sir Calvin W. Prather re-elected Grand Recorder.

The balance of the proceedings were of a purely routine nature.

The report on Correspondence by E.∴Sir Robert A. Woods, occupying 127 pages, is full and complete, with abundant quotations. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is given two and one half pages of excellent review, containing a concise report of the doings of our Grand Commandery.

R.∴E.∴Sir James L. Randel, Greencastle, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Calvin W. Prather, Indianapolis, Grand Recorder.

The Sixty-third Annual Conclave to be held at Kokomo, commencing Wednesday, May 9, 1917.

Iowa, 1916

The Fifty-third Annual Conclave convened at Templar Park, Spirit Lake, August 8, 9, 10 and 11, 1916.

The volume of Proceedings, like all others that have preceded it, is a credit to the Grand Recorder. It opens with a splendid Bather portrait of Lewis H. Moore, whose strong and smiling countenance adorns the frontal page.

All the Grand Officers present at the opening ceremonies.

The first business was the reception of distinguished visitors. Past Grand Commander Frederick W. Craig then introduced R.∴E.∴Sir Eugene C. Bonniwell, of Minneapolis, personal

representative of the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, to whom a cordial greeting was extended.

R.∴ E.∴ Sir E. Olin Soule presented and introduced R.∴ E.∴ Sir William H. Norris, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, and Past Grand Commander John W. Wells presented E.∴ Sir E. M. Van Cleve, Past Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Minnesota, who were also cordially welcomed.

Grand Commander Lewis H. Moore then presented his annual address. Under growth of the Order he says the subordinate Commanderies are to be congratulated on the amount of work that has been done over the entire jurisdiction, and the prospects for the future are excellent for a good increase. He also says he finds from the returns of Commanderies that in fifty-five Commanderies there is a total of $2,772.30 unpaid dues. He recommends that the present law be repealed and that a new law relative to jurisdiction be made to read as follows:

"The territorial jurisdiction of each Commandery in this State, whether chartered or under dispensation, over petitioners for the orders, shall be exclusive within the corporate limits of the city or town in which the Commandery is stationed; provided, that where two or more Commanderies are stationed in the same city or town, the territory of such city or town shall be concurrent to such two or more Commanderies; provided, further, that all other territory in this State shall be concurrent to all Commanderies in the State."

He refused three dispensations to ballot upon candidates out of time. Other dispensations granted were all for constitutional purposes. In his Conclusion he expresses the opinion that the Sir Knights would never know how much he had appreciated the high honor placed in his keeping. He assured them he had done the very best he could and tried to live up to the requirements of his high office and had done all that he could in a limited time when all his time was not his own and could not be devoted to the work. That he faithfully performed his duty is evidenced by his report. He pays tribute of due appreciation for the able assistance he had received from the Grand Recorder and the Committee on Jurisprudence.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that receipts with balance on hand were $11,673.20; disbursements, $9,439.24.

The Grand Recorder made a full and complete report of the transactions of his office. The present membership is 7,691, according to this report, a net gain for the year of 204.

The Committee on Credentials reported there were present thirty-three representatives from sister Grand Jurisdictions, and as usual we find the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Sir Knight Wilber F. Fidlar, present.

From the report of the Committee on Grand Commander's address we excerpt the following:

"It is pleasing to note the general awakening in the cause of Templary throughout this Grand Jurisdiction, and that so many Commanderies have been active and conferred the orders during the past year. The showing is commendable and indicates that the activity of the Grand Commander and his official visits have been helpful and encouraging and that the Sir Knights have been showing their appreciation and have been aroused to a greater realization of the beauties and grandeur of Templar Masonry. While the increase in members is not all that we might desire, it shows a good, healthy growth and is encouraging."

The Committee on Jurisprudence recommended a Standing Committee on Triennial Conclave, as follows:

"The Grand Recorder shall be the Triennial Committee. After consulting with the Grand Commander he shall make suitable arrangements for the accommodation of the delegates of this Grand Commandery at the Triennial Conclaves of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America."

The Committee on Necrology presented a splendid report, paying fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals reported that no complaint whatsoever had been referred to, or come to the attention of the committee, and it was very gratifying to be able to congratulate Grand Commandery upon the perfect concord

and harmony which seems to prevail throughout the Grand Jurisdiction.

At the election of officers Sir Knight James E. Bromwell was elected Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir David M. Brownlee re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, occupying 134 pages, is by E.∴Sir Charles C. Clark, who writes a splendid and readable report, with many comments, all in a most courteous manner. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives four pages, in which he differs with your Correspondent as to the duties of a reviewer.

R.∴E.∴Sir James E. Bromwell, Marion, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir David M. Brownlee, Sioux City, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Conclave will be held at Templar Park, Spirit Lake, commencing July 10, 1917.

Kansas, 1916

The Forty-seventh Annual Conclave, held in the city of Wichita, May 9, 1916.

The first business after the opening was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir George T. Campbell, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maryland and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was formally received into the asylum, and after being introduced to Grand Commandery, to which response was made, inspected the Commandery.

Another distinguished visitor present was R.∴E.∴Sir F. M. Gilbough, Past Grand Commander of Texas, who was also received and welcomed.

All the Grand Officers were reported as being present, nine Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-nine sister Grand Jurisdictions, R.∴E.∴Sir Edward W. Wellington, representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, as usual was present.

Following the appointment of committees R.∴E.∴Sir William H. Martin, Grand Commander, submitted his address, in which he had a kindly word of advice to say to the new Commanders who were present for the first time, admonishing them that

Templarism meant more than the mere wearing of a Maltese cross or a waving plume; that it meant service, sacrifice, right living, honesty, and faithfulness to Him under whose banner they were enlisted.

Under Condition of the Order he reported that the growth of the Order during the past year had been very encouraging, and harmony and good will abound in and between all subordinate Commanderies. He issued but four dispensations during the year, all of which were for constitutional purposes. He also reported he had made no decisions, which speaks well for the Commanders of the several Commanderies of the jurisdiction. Regarding rituals he reported that one Commandery having failed to receipt to the Grand Recorder for all rituals, as provided in Section 529 of the Statutes of the Grand Commandery, and not having made suitable reparation to the Grand Commander with reference to the violation of this statute, representation was denied them at the Annual Conclave, and their charter was suspended until the matter should be properly adjusted to the satisfaction of the Grand Commander.

The Grand Treasurer reported that total receipts with balance on hand were $10,646.37; disbursements, $8,610.60; balance on hand, $2,035.67, besides which he reported a Triennial Fund of $2,937.42.

Grand Recorder Albert K. Wilson submitted his usual complete report of the transactions of his office, stating that the number of members enrolled March 31, 1916, was 6,621, a net gain for the year of 217.

The Committee on Necrology, by E.∴Sir E. C. Cole, Chairman, presented a splendid report, paying fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

From the report of the Committee on Tactics and Ceremonials we excerpt the following in regard to lack of preparation of details on the part of those charged with the exhibition ceremonies of parade and drill. He remarks that the failure of an officer to perform his part of a ceremony is always inexcusable:

"There was, however, another more important failure which I desire to bring before this Grand Commandery. I dare say

that every Sir Knight was disappointed in the lack of numbers in our parade — in the lack of attendance at this Grand Conclave. Now the question is, Why this lack? Why have not we, with a membership of about 6,700 Knights Templar — why have we not more Sir Knights who will take one day to put on their uniforms and their equipment and stand up in a public way to be counted for the moral and religious principles of our Order, tremendously important always, but especially so in these troublous times? I ask this question with regret, and I have no suitable answer for it. Have you?"

We also excerpt the following:

"I think we, as Templars, fall into the notion that we can build up our Commanderies by taking in large numbers of members, by simply receiving their fees, and giving them a spectacle, and then letting them retire to the side lines without any thought of their individual duty to their Commandery and the great principles for which it stands in Christian life and Christian manhood. Now, how can we bring to our fraters a realization of these things? How can we stimulate in our members the habit of taking a personal interest in the affairs of the Commandery?"

The committee submitted a resolution, which was adopted, and we quote same.

"*Resolved,* That an appropriation of $250.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, be made for the promotion of local field days of Commanderies, under the direction of the Grand Commander; provided:

"(*a*) That no expenditure shall be allowed, excepting the actual personal and incidental expenses of the Grand Officers in arranging and conducting such local meetings.

"(*b*) That the element of competition in all drill and ceremonies at such meetings be prohibited, the purpose being to encourage each Commandery to present the largest possible number of Sir Knights in line and to exhibit any drill it may be able to give, and to promote the social, fraternal, and military activities of Templar Masonry."

At the election of officers Sir Knight Milton R. McLean was elected Grand Commander, E.·.Sir Albert K. Wilson re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is submitted by Sir Matthew M. Miller and consists of sixty-eight pages. Massachusetts and Rhode Island for 1915 receives a page and a half of courteous review. Evidently from his remarks he does not like our lack of criticism and comment on the doings of other Grand Commanderies.

R.·.E.·.Sir Milton R. McLean, Wellington, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Albert K. Wilson, Topeka, Grand Recorder.

The Forty-eighth Annual Conclave to be held on the second Tuesday in May, 1917, place of meeting to be announced later.

Kentucky, 1916

The Sixty-ninth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Frankfort, May 17 and 18, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present. The first business was the reception of the representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, R.·.E.·.Sir Harry G. Strickland, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Indiana, who was introduced and welcomed by the Grand Commander.

The address of the Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir Charles N. Smith, followed. We find he granted five dispensations and refused two, all in compliance with constitutional law. He also reported a petition to establish a Commandery U. D. at Barbourville, also applications for new Commanderies at Williamsburg and Pineville. In his Conclusion he expresses his grateful thanks to the Grand Officers, saying they have always been true, courteous, and kind, and to the Grand Recorder, who, "having all knightly qualities, knows well everything from a Templar standpoint in both Ritual and Tactics, and stands ready to impart this knowledge to his less informed fraters." From our knowledge of E.·.Sir Bryant we feel that the Grand Commander only did him justice. The balance of the address contains matters of only local nature.

The Grand Recorder reported the number of members March 31, 1916, 5,116, a net gain for the year of 83.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand, $9,660.09; disbursements, $4,077.19.

The Trustees of the Permanent Fund also report a fund of $6,000.

E.·.Sir William H. Bartholomew, Chairman of the Committee on Necrology, presented a voluminous report, paying due respect to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island Past Grand Commanders R.·.E.·.Sir Charles C. Hutchinson and R.·.E.·.Sir Nelson W. Aldrich receiving mention.

At the second day's proceedings all the Grand Officers were present, ten Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of thirty-one sister Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island's representative not being present.

At the election of officers Sir Henry P. Barrett was elected Grand Commander, Sir Alfred H. Bryant re-elected Grand Recorder.

R.·.E.·.Sir Charles H. Fisk, Chairman of the Committee on Jurisprudence, presented a report that no matter had been presented to them demanding action, and the committee congratulated Grand Commandery upon a condition which permitted a committee to make such a report.

R.·.E.·.Sir Bernard G. Witt, Chairman of Special Committee on Charters and Dispensations, presented a report, which was adopted, that the petition for a Commandery at Pineville be granted. That the petition for a Commandery at Williamsburg could not be acted upon by reason of their failure to file dimits and fee with the petition. That on account of the objection of London Commandery, No. 33, the request of the petitioners for a Commandery at Barbourville could not be considered. They also recommended that a charter be granted to the Sir Knights of Jackson and that the Commandery be known as Mountain Commandery No. 38.

From the report of the Committee on Work we excerpt the following:

"We find that those Commanderies that require their members to procure uniforms are the live Commanderies of the State, and we wish in the most forceful way possible to recommend to the subordinate Commanderies that they urge in the strongest terms, if they do not require it, that all candidates for these impressive orders be knighted in their own uniforms."

R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Clarke then presented the retiring Grand Commander with the Past Grand Commander's Jewel, expressing to him the kind good wishes of his fraters for his future health and prosperity. R.·.E.·.Sir Smith responded, thanking Grand Commandery and the Sir Knights.

The report on Correspondence is by R.·.E.·.Sir William W. Clarke, 130 pages being devoted to the same, covering forty-three Grand Jurisdictions, and is written in his usual finished manner. He interestingly reviews the Proceedings of Massachusetts and Rhode Island with a page and a half, in which he calls the report of your Grand Recorder "a very complete and comprehensive document." He comments on the transfer of Grand Commander Brown's name to Bonniwell, but we are at a loss to understand how the matter came about, as our copy of last year's review shows that we wrote the name Brown, not Bonniwell. You cannot very well tell what a printer will do if you do not carefully scrutinize each line of the proof.

R.·.E.·.Sir Henry P. Barrett, Henderson, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Alfred H. Bryant, Covington, Grand Recorder.

The Seventieth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Covington, commencing Wednesday, May 16, 1917.

Louisiana, 1916

The Fifty-third Annual Conclave held in the city of Shreveport, May 1, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, with the exception of the Grand Senior Warden, Grand Junior Warden, and Grand Standard Bearer. Eight Past Grand Commanders present, and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies.

Following the opening R.·.E.·.Sir H. F. Grimm, Grand Commander, delivered his annual address, briefly setting forth the transactions of his office. He made no decisions during the year, and his dispensations were few in number. Under Con-

dition of the Order he reported that the Commanderies in the State were generally in a prosperous condition and the interest in Templar Masonry probably greater than ever before. He recommended that an Inspector General be selected, whose duty it shall be to instruct Commanderies at their request or at the order of the Grand Commander.

The report of the Grand Treasurer showed receipts with balance on hand of $3,711.46; disbursements, $1,031.55.

The report of the Grand Recorder showed membership of 1,153, a net increase for the year of 57.

At the election of officers Sir Knight B. B. Purser was elected Grand Commander, Sir J. B. Parker elected Grand Recorder.

For the first time for many years we fail to find the signature of our esteemed and well-beloved frater, Richard Lambert, appended to the Proceedings.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence, by Sir Herman C. Duncan, Past Deputy Grand Commander, occupies twenty-nine pages, in which he concisely and clearly sets forth the transactions of sister Grand Jurisdictions. The report contains all the information necessary for one to follow the principal transactions of each Grand Jurisdiction.

R.·.E.·.Sir B. B. Purser, Amite, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir J. B. Parker, New Orleans, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-fourth Annual Conclave to be held on the second Monday after Easter, 1917, at Alexandria, Louisiana.

Maine, 1915

The Sixty-fourth Annual Conclave opened in Masonic Temple in the city of Portland Thursday, May 6, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present; forty-nine representatives from twenty-one of the twenty-three constituent Commanderies; twelve of the twenty Past Grand Commanders and the Grand Representatives of forty-four sister Grand Jurisdictions.

The first business after the opening was the reception of R.·.E.·.Sir E. Bentley Young, representative of the Acting Grand Master, who was accompanied by R.·.E.·.Sir Freeman C. Hersey and E.·.Sir Asa C. Jewett, who were received and cordially welcomed.

After the appointment of committees, Grand Commander Ralph W. Crockett delivered his annual address. It contains knightly mention of the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. Among his recommendations was one that every Sir Knight should own a uniform, that the good of the Order demands it, and no Sir Knight does himself or his Commandery justice who does not immediately, upon receiving the Order of the Temple, procure the prescribed regalia of his Commandery.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand, $11,804.10; disbursements, $1,620.96; Triennial Fund, $408.28.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find the number of members to be 5,621, a net gain for the year of 12.

At the election of officers Sir Arthur S. Littlefield was elected Grand Commander, Sir Stephen Berry re-elected Grand Recorder.

The balance of the proceedings were of a purely local nature.

The report on Correspondence is by that distinguished frater, Stephen Berry, who reviews forty-eight Grand Jurisdictions with fifty-seven pages. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention. He calls our report "excellent," for which he has our grateful acknowledgments.

R.·.E.·.Sir Arthur S. Littlefield, Rockland, Grand Commander.

E.·.Sir Stephen Berry, Portland, Grand Recorder.

The Sixty-fifth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Portland, Tuesday, May 4, 1916.

Maryland, 1916

The splendid volume opens with a half-tone portrait of Robert D. Grier, Grand Commander.

The Forty-sixth Annual Conclave held in the city of Baltimore, Tuesday, May 2, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Grand Recorder, Sir John H. Miller, whom we are very sorry

to note was detained at home on account of illness. There were also present the representatives of twenty-two sister Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island not being among the number; nineteen Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies.

The first business after the opening was the address of R.∴ E.∴ Sir Robert D. Grier, who briefly sets forth the transactions of his office during his incumbency. He granted few dispensations and made few decisions. One of his recommendations was that all constituent Commanderies in the jurisdiction be required to open their Commanderies in long form at least twice a year, and one of these occasions be at the official visitation of the Grand Inspector General or of the Grand Officers.

The Grand Treasurer reported balance on hand, with receipts, $6,116.60; disbursements, $2,600.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership 2,223, a loss for the year of 11.

That the jurisdiction is in good condition is evidenced by the report of the Committee on Grievances, who report that nothing had come before them for adjustment, and that harmony and good fellowship prevailed in all the Commanderies of the jurisdiction.

The representatives of sister Grand Commanderies were received and welcomed by the Grand Commander, to whose words of welcome R.∴ E.∴ Sir Remley and others responded.

R.∴ E.∴ Sir William J. Diehl, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master, Lee S. Smith, was present and received with all the honor due his distinguished rank, and given a most hearty welcome, to which later in the evening he responded, at the conclusion of his remarks presenting to R.∴ E.∴ Sir Harry A. Remley a handsome gold enameled diamond-studded Past Grand Commander's jewel.

At the election of officers Sir George W. Walther was elected Grand Commander, Sir John H. Miller re-elected Grand Recorder.

The balance of the business was routine.

The report on Correspondence is by our esteemed and

well-beloved frater, John H. Miller, who submits his seventeenth report with seventy-two pages. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention, a page being devoted to the same.

R.∴ E.∴ Sir George W. Walther, Baltimore, Grand Commander.

E.∴ Sir John H. Miller, Baltimore, Grand Recorder.

The Forty-seventh Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Baltimore, Wednesday, May 9, 1917.

Michigan, 1916

A splendid volume, containing the Proceedings of the Sixtieth Annual Conclave, held at Detroit, June 6, 7, and 8, 1916.

The volume is embellished with half-tone portraits of R.∴ E.∴ Sir George L. Harvey and other distinguished fraters.

All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after the roll call was the reception of guests. R.∴ E.∴ Sir William F. Kuhn, Past Grand Commander of Missouri, and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, accompanied by V.∴ E.∴ Sir William L. Sharp, Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Encampment, were announced in waiting. An escort of the Past Grand Commanders and the Grand Generalissimo retired and presently entered the asylum and introduced R.∴ E.∴ Sir Kuhn and V.∴ E.∴ Sir Sharp, who were cordially welcomed. Both responded with addresses that are very interesting to read, but owing to their length we have to omit them from this review.

Following the appointment of committees, the Grand Commander, R.∴ E.∴ Sir George L. Harvey, made his annual report. He pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of their jurisdiction. His decisions were many and all in accordance with constitutional law. He also recommends that upon proper vouchers, approved by the Grand Commander and attested by the Grand Recorder, the Grand Treasurer is authorized to honor warrants for the actual railroad and hotel expenses of the Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, and Grand Generalissimo, for the time being, when in attendance at the

Triennial Conclave of the Grand Encampment. He makes special mention of the loyalty and worth of the Grand Recorder, saying he had been a great help in the discharge of his duties.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership of 9,521, a net gain for the year of 212.

The Committee on Inspections and Returns made an elaborate report, receiving the compliments of the Grand Commander for the very able and thorough manner in which they performed the duties entrusted to them.

The Committee on Necrology, by E.·.Sir Rev. Emil Montanus, submitted a splendid report, memorializing the dead of their own and other Grand Jurisdictions, paying a deserved tribute to those Sir Knights of the Faith who had "fought the good fight and finished their course."

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that a charter be granted to the petitioners for a Commandery to be known as Bad Axe, No. 52, also to the petitioners from Highland Park, to be known as Highland Park Commandery, No. 53, located at Highland Park.

The Committee on Rituals presented a report that at the preceding conclave a certain Commandery be required to deposit with the Grand Recorder, within ten days, a penalty of $25 for one lost Ritual, and that the Grand Recorder forthwith apply to the Grand Encampment for a new one. The records show, however, that the Commandery did not receive this new Ritual until eight months after the Grand Commandery had received the fee therefor. The committee was pleased to report that during the past year no Ritual had been lost in that Grand Jurisdiction, which, they said, spoke well for the care and observance of regulations by Commandery officers and members.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand $23,245.57; disbursements, $16,747.64.

The Committee on George Washington Memorial reported in substance that it was a worthy fund, but recommended the Grand Commandery not to expend any funds at this time for that purpose, but that the Grand Commandery indorse the movement and commend it to the favorable consideration of the individual members.

At the election of officers Sir Knight Fred A. Aldrich was elected Grand Commander, R.·.E.·.Sir George T. Campbell re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Uniform Receipt Cards, through R.·.E.·. Sir Gordon R. Campbell, Past Grand Commander, recommended that the same be referred to the incoming Grand Commander, and that he be authorized to appoint a committee with power to devise and apply a similar system to that of the Grand Lodge, and when perfected, the committee recommend such cards be adopted by the constituent Commanderies.

The report on Correspondence, 184 pages, is by R.·.E.·.Sir William G. Doty, Past Grand Commander. The review is complete in every detail and concisely sets forth the transactions of the various Grand Jurisdictions. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives four pages of courteous review, setting forth all of the transactions of our Grand Commandery worthy of comment. He has a kindly word to say for your correspondent, for which he is entitled to our grateful appreciation.

R.·.E.·.Sir Fred A. Aldrich, Flint, Grand Commander.

R.·.E.·.Sir George T. Campbell, Owosso, Grand Recorder.

The Sixty-first Annual Conclave will be held in Kalamazoo, June 6, 1917.

Minnesota, 1916

The Fifty-first Annual Conclave held in St. Paul, May 17 and 18, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present. The first business was the reception of V.·.E.·.Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Senior Warden of the Grand Encampment and representative of the Acting Grand Master, who was duly received and welcomed.

There was also present V.·.E.·.Sir Knight Jehiel W. Chamberlin, Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment, who was also received.

Rehearsal, inspection, and review followed, the lines and

triangle being formed by Damascus Commandery, No. 1. Grand Commandery was then declared open.

Upon calling the roll, twenty-seven Commanderies out of the thirty-one were found to be represented. The Committee on Credentials reported all the Grand Officers present, fifteen Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of twenty-four sister Grand Jurisdictions, but we fail to find the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

Grand Commander Bonniwell then delivered his annual address. He pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. His decisions were few and all in accordance with constitutional law. His dispensations were eight in number, two of which were for dispensations to hold annual elections at other than the specified time in the by-laws, on account of there being no quorum present at the regular stated conclave. He refused dispensation to one Commandery to hold its annual election at a time other than that prescribed by the by-laws. He reported having granted dispensation to seventeen Sir Knights to establish a Commandery at Spring Valley. He states the condition of the Order in Minnesota in so far as the Templar spirit is concerned is all that could be desired; that peace and fraternal feeling exists throughout the jurisdiction, but that the Commanderies were not getting the growth that was desired. He also recommended that the Code of Statutes of Minnesota be amended so that the applicant for the Orders could go to the Commandery which is most convenient by rail. He stated he was convinced that the time had come when the Grand Commandery of Minnesota should go on record before the outside world as being opposed to the use of intoxicating liquors at any work or function in connection with the Order.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts with balance on hand of $16,354.76; disbursements, $5,021.83.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find membership is 4,859, a net gain for the year of 143.

The following resolution was offered:

"*Resolved*, That the use of spirituous, vinous, malt, fermented, distilled, and all forms of intoxicating liquors as a beverage is forbidden in connection with regular or special conclaves of the Commandery, drills and entertainments, and in connection with any and all functions authorized by or given under the auspices or authority of any Commandery in this State."

The same was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, who afterwards reported favorably and same was adopted.

On recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations a charter was granted to Spring Valley Commandery, U. D., at Spring Valley.

At the election of Officers Sir Knight Jesse Norton was elected Grand Commander, Sir Knight John Fishel re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals reported it gave them pleasure to report that owing to the fraternal and knightly harmony existing in the Grand Jurisdiction no matter had been presented to them for consideration.

Upon recommendation of the Grand Recorder the annual per capita tax was increased from 50c to 60c.

Balance of the business of the session entirely local in its nature.

The report on Correspondence is by Sir John Fishel, who, although he states the report was written under adverse conditions, gives a good, readable report, stating all that is necessary of the transactions of the various Grand Jurisdictions. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous attention at the hands of our good frater Fishel.

R.∴E.∴Sir Jesse Norton, Duluth, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir John Fishel, St. Paul, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-second Annual Conclave will be held in Minneapolis, May 16 and 17, 1917.

Mississippi, 1916

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave held in the city of Brookhaven, May 9–10, 1916.

At 10 o'clock A.M. Grand Commandery was opened in

Masonic Temple. At 10.30 A.M. public exercises were held in Lampton Auditorium. At 11 o'clock A.M. devotional exercises at the First Baptist Church. At 2 o'clock in the afternoon business session of the Grand Commandery.

All the Grand Officers present, eleven Past Grand Commanders.

Immediately following the opening Grand Commander George C. Hoskins delivered his annual address. He rendered a faithful account of the transactions of his office during the year, and like many other Grand Commanders paid fitting tribute to the distinguished dead of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. Dispensations granted were few; dispensations for various purposes refused were six in number, among them a dispensation to form and open a Commandery at Amory, the petitioners not having the recommendation of the nearest Commandery. Among his recommendations was one that a committee of three be appointed whose duty it shall be to submit a Manual of Tactics as soon as practicable.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand, $7,665.10; disbursements, $3,312.24.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership of 2,055, a net gain for the year of 1.

At the election of officers Sir Walton C. Grayson elected Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir Oliver L. McKay re-elected Grand Recorder.

No report on Correspondence.

R.∴E.∴Sir Walton C. Grayson, Biloxi, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir Oliver L. McKay, Meridian, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Conclave to be held at Biloxi, in May, 1917, on dates to be set by the Grand Commander.

Missouri, 1916

The Fifty-fifth Annual Conclave, held at Hannibal, May 23 and 24, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after the opening was the reception of distinguished visitors. The committee having retired presently

escorted into the asylum R.∴E.∴Sir George W. Vallery, Past Grand Commander of Colorado, and the personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was received and cordially welcomed. The escort again returned to the anteroom and presently re-entered and presented R.∴E.∴Sir William L. Sharp, Grand Sword Bearer of the Grand Encampment, and R.∴E.∴Sir Alfred A. Whipple, both Past Grand Commanders of the State of Illinois, and E.∴Sir James H. Clendening, Grand Captain General of the Grand Commandery of Arkansas, who received a cordial reception.

The address of welcome was delivered by E.∴Sir John L. RoBards, of Hannibal, a long-time member of Commandery No. 5, and the oldest living Past Commander.

The address of the Grand Commander followed. R.∴E.∴Sir Fowkes issued many dispensations and refused two, one of which was for a Commandery to parade on Flag Day, the other for a Commandery to parade with the National Guards of Missouri and other organizations in the celebration of the "White Way." He stated these occasions could not be considered as Masonic. Among his recommendations was one that the laws and regulations of Grand Commandery be amended to read:

"Section 223. There shall be appropriated annually a sum not to exceed ten cents per member for each member on the rolls of the Grand Commandery on the thirty-first day of the preceding December, to be set apart as Triennial Fund, with which to pay the actual expenses of the first four Grand Officers, the expense of the Grand Commandery headquarters, and the expenses incurred in the Triennial parade, such as mounts or carriages, etc.

"The balance of the fund to be prorated in paying the expenses of the Past Grand Commanders attending the Triennial, provided the amount paid to a Past Grand Commander shall not exceed $100."

He also announced that he had not been called upon to make any decisions, all questions asked and inquiries made for information relating to Templar matters had been disposed of by reciting particular laws and regulations. The address occupies

twenty-eight pages of the Proceedings and is a splendid review of the doings of his office during his incumbency.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find receipts with balance on hand, $36,749.81; disbursements, $20,027.24.

The Grand Recorder reported total number of members 7,244, a net gain for the year of 107.

The Committee on Necrology offered a splendid report, paying due tribute to the deceased fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, mentioning under Massachusetts and Rhode Island Past Grand Commander Nelson W. Aldrich and Past Grand Commander Charles Carroll Hutchinson.

Our good friend and frater William H. Glancy offered a resolution that the members of Grand Commandery be required to equip themselves with full Templar uniform during the opening ceremonies of Grand Commandery, which was adopted.

The Committee on Credentials reported there were present, besides the Grand Officers, eight Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-four sister Grand Jurisdictions. As usual our esteemed frater representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, E.·. Sir John R. Parsons, was at his post of duty. The Grand Representatives present were greeted and addressed by the representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, R.·. E.·. Sir George W. Vallery.

At the election of officers R.·. E.·. Sir Charles F. Blomberg was elected Grand Commander, E.·. Sir Robert F. Stevenson re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by Past Grand Commander William F. Kuhn, and it is needless to say it is a most interesting and excellent report, occupying 143 pages. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is given two pages, in which he calls our review "all gray matter with no excerpts."

R.·. E.·. Sir Charles F. Blomberg, St. Louis, Grand Commander.

E.·. Sir Robert F. Stevenson, St. Louis, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave will be held in Springfield, May 22 and 23, 1917.

Montana, 1915

The Twenty-eighth Annual Conclave was opened in the asylum of Lewiston Commandery in the city of Lewiston, June 24, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present, five Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of seventeen sister Grand Jurisdictions. Among the number we find R.·. E.·. Sir Joseph J. Hindson, representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The annual address of R.·. E.·. Sir John H. Hall, Grand Commander, briefly sets forth the transactions of his office, besides paying tribute to departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. His dispensations were few in number and all for constitutional purposes. He states he is in hearty accord with the sentiment expressed by Past Grand Master Melish in regard to the solicitation of those worthy to receive the Orders, and urges upon each Eminent Commander of the Jurisdiction that fresh efforts be put forth, looking towards the increased growth of the membership in his Commandery. He also reports contributions to the Masonic War Relief Association of $245.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand in the General Fund of $6,077.94; expenditures, $987.70; balance on hand, $4,310.59.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the membership to be 1,365, a net gain for the year of 58.

A petition was received from the Sir Knights resident at Havre for a dispensation to form and open a Commandery at that place, which was granted.

A motion was also passed that all affiliated Past Grand Commanders living within the State be added to the roll of those entitled to receive mileage for their attendance at the annual conclaves of Grand Commandery.

The Committee on Necrology was given leave to report in print, and appended to the Proceedings is their report in full.

Sir Stephen P. Wright was elected Grand Commander and Sir Cornelius Hedges, Jr., re-elected Grand Recorder.

No report on Correspondence.

R.∴E.∴Sir Stephen P. Wright, Butte, Grand Commander.
E.∴Sir Cornelius Hedges, Jr., Helena, Grand Recorder.
The Twenty-ninth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Butte, August 26–28, 1916.

Nebraska, 1916

The Forty-fourth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Columbus, Thursday, May 4, 1916.

The volume opens with a splendid Bather portrait of George Willets, Jr., Grand Commander.

All the Grand Officers present, and the representatives of twenty-three of the twenty-nine chartered Commanderies.

Following the appointment of committees, Grand Commander Willets submitted his annual address. Under the head of "Irregularities" he says:

"No Commandery in this jurisdiction is complying with Section 325, Statutes and Regulations of the Grand Commandery, Knights Templar of Nebraska, in its entirety. Many Commanderies have discarded the gauntlets, the red belt, the chains, and the black handle on the sword."

and

"Many Commanderies are too frequently resorting to opening in short form. Decidedly this is not as it should be, and without doubt is the prime cause for lack of interest throughout this jurisdiction."

He also calls attention to the neglect on the part of a few of the Commanders and Recorders to report receipts for transfer of rituals. He made no official decisions during his term. He has words of praise for R.∴E.∴Sir Francis E. White, Grand Recorder, for his cheerful assistance and kindly advice on all occasions. From our personal knowledge of Sir Knight White we are confident he deserved all the Grand Commander said of him.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts with

balance on hand, $8,603.30; disbursements, $3,168.79; balance on hand, $5,434.51.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership of 2,941, a net gain for the year of 113.

Calling the roll of Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, eighteen responded, E.∴Sir Eben K. Long representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island being among the number.

The Committee on Deceased Templars submitted their report, paying due respect to the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

At the election of officers Sir Frank H. Young elected Grand Commander; R.∴E.∴Sir Francis E. White re-elected Grand Recorder.

A motion that the proposed amendment to Grand Encampment law relative to Cryptic degrees be referred to the representatives of Grand Commandery attending the Triennial at Los Angeles, and that the amendment proposed by the Grand Commandery of Minnesota be not adopted, Past Grand Commander White moved to amend the report by striking out the last paragraph, recommending that the Cryptic degrees be made prerequisite to the orders of Knighthood. After remarks by several Sir Knights the amendment was adopted.

The report on Correspondence is by that painstaking frater Francis E. White, Past Grand Commander, who devotes 113 pages to the same. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is given two pages, and he notes all the principal transactions, not only those contained in Grand Commander Medding's address, but all other matters transpiring in this jurisdiction. He refers to our opinion that Grand Commanderies should be divided into districts and assigned to the Grand Officers a certain number of Commanderies during the year, and says that "what is good enough for Massachusetts and Rhode Island should be good enough for Nebraska." He also has a kindly word to say for your Grand Recorder, and all we can say to him is that we extend to him our grateful acknowledgments.

R.∴E.∴Sir Frank H. Young, Broken Bow, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir Francis E. White, Omaha, Grand Recorder.

The Forty-fifth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Lincoln, Thursday, April 19, 1917.

New Hampshire, 1915

The Sixty-eighth Annual Conclave, held in the asylum of Mount Horeb Commandery, in the city of Concord, Tuesday, September 28, 1915.

All of the Grand Officers present; twelve Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-nine sister Grand Jurisdictions, E.∴Sir Charles S. Parker, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, among the number.

The first business after the opening was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir Samuel J. Bryant, Past Grand Commander of Connecticut and the official representative of the Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was duly received with knightly honors befitting his high commission.

The address of R.∴E.∴Sir Arthur S. Bunton, Grand Commander followed. Among other things he said he had recently received a circular giving statistics in regard to the percentage of Knights Templar to Master Masons, and was pleased to note that the State of New Hampshire ranked second in the whole country. He then paid fitting tribute to the departed fraters of the jurisdiction. His dispensations were few in number and all for constitutional purposes. The balance of the address is taken up with matters pertaining to his own jurisdiction.

The Grand Recorder read memorials upon the Eminent Sir Knights who had passed away during the year. From his report we find the membership 2,802, a gain for the year of 19.

The election of Grand Officers resulted in the election of Sir Garvin R. Magoon, of Lancaster, Grand Commander, and Sir Harry M. Cheney, of Concord, re-elected Grand Recorder.

The balance of the business was routine.

Grand Recorder Cheney writes the report on Correspondence, devoting ninety-eight pages to the same. He remarks that "it would not be truthful to say that the work — not the task — has been done with little of labor," but that such labor had "brought a rounded measure of happiness." Also that reading the record of things done by other Grand Jurisdictions had brought him into contact with many of the best minds and hearts to be found in the Order. He remarked that the record of the year was largely one of successes, and where there were failures there was evidence of determination to right things. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives three pages of courteous review. He calls our review of the 1913 Proceedings an "accurate account."

R.∴E.∴Sir Garvin R. Magoon, Lancaster, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Harry M. Cheney, Concord, Grand Recorder.

The Sixty-ninth Annual Conclave to be held at Concord, Tuesday, September 26, 1916.

New Jersey, 1916

The Fifty-sixth Annual Conclave, held at Trenton, May 9, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, fourteen Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of twenty-four sister Grand Jurisdictions, the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island being absent.

The first business was the reception of distinguished visitors. V.∴E.∴Sir Frederick C. Thayer, Past Grand Commander of Maine, Grand Standard Bearer of the Grand Encampment and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master, was announced in waiting, and an escort of Past Grand Commanders retired and escorted the distinguished visitor into the asylum. He was introduced to Grand Commandery and given a knightly and hearty welcome, to which V.∴E.∴Sir Thayer responded in one of his finished addresses. Did space permit we should have liked to copy the whole of it into this report.

Following his reception the Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions were duly received and welcomed.

The Grand Commander then delivered his address, which occupies many pages of the Proceedings. His decisions were

numerous and all in accordance with Templar law. Among his recommendations was that a committee be appointed to revise the uniform regulations of that Grand Commandery. Also that field day be held at Atlantic City, the time to be selected by the incoming Grand Commander. In closing he pays fitting tribute to the official family of Grand Officers, especially to the Grand Recorder.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $5,546.25; disbursements, $3,310.30.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership 3,591, a net gain for the year of 85.

The Committee on Necrology rendered their report, which was received and adopted.

The committee appointed for that purpose submitted a plan for a system of credits to be adopted by Grand Commandery for its inspecting officers.

Balance of the proceedings of the conclave were of a local nature.

At the election of officers, Sir Knight Robert H. Ingersoll was elected Grand Commander, E.∴Sir John M. Wright re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, occupying 157 pages, R.∴E.∴ Sir Peter McGill, chairman of the committee, is a review of the Proceedings of forty Grand Jurisdictions, all that had been received. Massachusetts and Rhode Island for 1915 receives three pages of courteous review. The committee says: "Absence from Annual Conclaves is not a common practice of R.∴E.∴Sir William H. Sebring, who has the honor to represent the Grand Commandery of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. He has been most regular in his attendance, and his absence of last year was caused by conditions not to be controlled by him." They go on to say, "Regarding the absence of these dignitaries from their home Annual Conclaves we have very decided opinions. We believe commissions of these favored Knights should be recalled and revoked if the holder is absent two years in succession, unless valid reasons why they were absent are advanced." The review is a painstaking one, containing many comments and splendid suggestions.

R.∴E.∴Sir Robert H. Ingersoll, Atlantic City, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir John M. Wright, Trenton, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-seventh Annual Conclave will be held May 8, 1917.

New Mexico, 1915

The Fifteenth Annual Conclave was opened in the city of Albuquerque on the fifteenth day of October, 1915.

The first business was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir John C. Kidd, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Texas and representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was received and welcomed.

All the Grand Officers were reported as present, six Past Grand Commanders.

The address of R.∴E.∴Sir Lewis H. Chamberlin, Grand Commander, briefly sets forth a record of the transactions of his office. His dispensations were few and decisions all in conformity with the constitutional statutes. He also pays fitting tribute to the distinguished dead of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. Among his recommendations was one, that as no expense had been incurred from official visitations, that a certain sum be set aside to be donated to the War Relief Fund.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts of $1,519.16; expenditures, $863.09; balance on hand, $656.07, together with various funds as follows: Triennial Fund, $990.39; Masonic Home Fund, $1,657.63; total, $3,304.09.

The Grand Recorder reported the total membership 715, a net gain for the year of 7.

At the election of officers Sir Knight Amos W. Pollard was elected Grand Commander, Sir Alpheus A. Keen re-elected Grand Recorder.

No report on Correspondence.

R.∴E.∴Sir Amos W. Pollard, Deming, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, Grand Recorder.

The Sixteenth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of East Las Vegas, October 13, 1916.

New York, 1915

This splendid volume opens with a Bather portrait of that distinguished frater, John B. Mullan, Grand Commander.

The One Hundred and Second Annual Conclave held in the city of Buffalo, June 14, 15, 16, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present; twelve Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the seventy constituent Commanderies.

The first business after opening was the presentation to Grand Commandery by Sir Knight Erastus C. Knight, of Sir Knight Louis P. Fuhrmann, the mayor of the city, who welcomed Grand Commandery on behalf of the city of Buffalo, to which the Grand Commander responded in behalf of the Grand Commandery.

The Grand Commander then welcomed the Grand Representatives of sister Grand Commanderies, sixteen being present, Sir Knight J. Grafton Murdock, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

There were many distinguished guests present, among the number being Sir Knight Philip D. Gordon, Supreme Grand Master of the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada. R.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was then presented and most cordially welcomed, responding in his usual finished manner.

Following the appointment of committees, Grand Commander Mullan delivered his annual address. This is an able report of the transactions of his office during the year. He made but one decision. His dispensations were many and several dispensations were refused, but all in accord with constitutional law. He also reports the constituting of Huntington Commandery, No. 70, at Huntington, L. I.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the membership to be 23,305, a gain for the year of 482.

The Grand Treasurer reported balance on hand with receipts, $28,922.84; balance on hand after disbursements, $12,922.07. They also report an Educational Fund of $37,485.93. The

Trustees report a fund of $30,000, with receipts of $6,779.66, making a total of $36,779.66.

The report on Necrology is by Sir Knight and Rev. G. Sherman Burrows, chairman of the committee. It occupies many pages of the Proceedings, paying a splendid tribute to the memory of the departed fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions.

At the election of officers Sir Knight William F. Elmendorf was elected Grand Commander, E.∴Sir John H. Bonnington re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by E.∴Sir John W. Jenkins, Chairman, who reviews all the Grand Jurisdictions, with the exception of Arizona, Michigan, Minnesota, North Carolina, Utah, West Virginia, and England and Wales, which failed to reach them. One hundred and fifty pages are devoted to the report, and, like all that have preceded it, it is a splendid review, containing many comments and is exceedingly good reading. Massachusetts and Rhode Island reviewed in four pages and one half.

R.∴E.∴Sir William F. Elmendorf, Buffalo, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir John H. Bonnington, New York City, Grand Recorder.

The One Hundred and Third Annual Conclave to be held in the city of New York, borough of Brooklyn, June 5, 1916.

North Carolina, 1915

The Thirty-fifth Annual Conclave held in the city of Asheville, May 12, 1915.

The first business after the opening was the reception of distinguished visitors. R.∴E.∴Sir Edwin G. Staley, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Maryland and the representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was introduced and welcomed by the Grand Commander.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the Grand Officers present, eight Past Grand Commanders and the representatives

of sixteen sister Grand Jurisdictions, but we fail to find the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

Grand Commander Orpheus W. Spencer then delivered his annual address, which contains a concise account of the transactions of his office during the year. His dispensations were few and all for constitutional purposes. He reported the Order in a very satisfactory condition and the increase in numbers encouraging. He stated that the Grand Treasurer had been serving the Grand Commandery for twelve years without compensation and recommended he be paid fifty dollars per year for his services. He also recommended that the law requiring uniforms should be in some way emphasized by the Grand Commandery so that every Sir Knight in the Grand Jurisdiction would comply by procuring the uniform, as provided by the Constitution. He also stated that in his opinion any member of the Order who had no uniform could not participate in the ceremonies properly and were therefore not lawfully equipped Knights. He also stated that from information received he was of the opinion there were a great number of Sir Knights who had never had the Order of Malta conferred upon them, and in his opinion every Sir Knight should be declared not in good standing in his Commandery who had not taken the Order of Malta within one year from the time he was dubbed.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $4,239.85; expenditures, $2,441.45.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find the membership 1,788, a gain for the year of 192.

A resolution was submitted by Sir Knight A. H. Cobb calling attention to the fact that in 1913 the Grand Commandery granted a dispensation to Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 8, to receive and ballot on twelve companions without laying over the required two weeks, and also a dispensation to Cyrene Commandery, No. 5, to ballot on a petition at a called conclave, which petition had been in the hands of the investigating committee the required time and had reported thereon, but not acted on for lack of quorum at the preceding regular conclave. That the Committee on Jurisprudence, after considering the

dispensation granted by the Grand Commander, found that they were all based on good and satisfactory reasons. Sir Cobb called attention to Section 111 of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment, which states that no petition can be balloted upon in less than two weeks from its presentation, and that it did not lie in the power of the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery to issue any dispensation to nullify or make of non-effect this section, and that the Grand Commandery do hereby declare that such rulings were erroneous, and that such actions should not have been approved, but should have been disapproved.

The Committee on Necrology rendered their report, paying due tribute to the distinguished Knights of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions who had deceased during the year.

At the election of officers Sir Cornelius M. Vanstory was elected Grand Commander, Sir John B. Griggs re-elected Grand Recorder.

The balance of the business of the conclave was purely local.

The report on Correspondence occupies 143 pages and is by Sir Alexander B. Andrews, Jr. It is his first report and we are free to confess after reading it that it is fully up to the standard of any other correspondent. He expresses his extreme regret that, owing to illness, he was denied the privilege of attending the Grand Encampment at Denver, where he thought to meet many whose hand he wished to shake and whose cordial grasp he would long feel. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives four pages of courteous review. He says the Proceedings of our Grand Commandery are complete in every particular, for which he has our grateful acknowledgments.

R.∴E.∴Sir Cornelius M. Vanstory, Greensboro, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir John B. Griggs, Elizabeth City, Grand Recorder.

The Thirty-sixth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Charlotte, commencing on the second Wednesday in May, 1916.

North Dakota, 1916

The Twenty-seventh Annual Conclave, held at Grand Forks, April 25 and 26, 1916.

Preliminary to the opening St. Aldemar Commandery, No. 3, escorted the officers and members of Grand Commandery from the Hotel Dacotah to the new Masonic Temple, where Grand Commandery was opened in short form by the Deputy Grand Commander.

All the Grand Officers present with the exception of the Grand Commander.

The first business was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir Francis E. White, Past Grand Commander and present Grand Recorder of the Grand Commandery of Nebraska and personal representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was escorted into the asylum and cordially welcomed, to which he responded in a most gracious manner.

V.∴E.∴Sir Frank White, Deputy Grand Commander, then presented an address covering his official acts and those of the late Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir George M. Pike, the address being well received. Under the head of "Unauthorized Rituals" we quote the following:

"It has come to our knowledge that there are a number of unauthorized rituals in use in several of our Commanderies, the In Hoc Signo Vinces published by the Allen Company and the so-called Daggett ritual. The first was formerly obtained through the office of the Grand Recorder, but this has not been the practice for the past two or three years.

"It is clearly the intent of the Grand Encampment not to permit the use of any rituals except the three issued for the principal officers and the one for the Prelate. In case a Commandery has lost a ritual, it is possible to secure another by making a proper showing. So it seems to us that the use of these unauthorized and inaccurate rituals is unwise and should be forbidden. We suggest that some action be taken at this Grand Conclave."

Regarding solicitation he says:

"While certain kinds of solicitations are repugnant to us, still if our Order is to grow and we are to do this great work which our Order contemplates, we must be active. To that end we believe there should be in every Commandery a Committee on Membership, charged with the duty and responsibility of presenting the claims of Templarism to every one eligible to receive our Orders. We earnestly recommend this to your careful consideration."

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts with balance on hand of $4,208.35; disbursements, $1,900.73; balance on hand, $2,307.52. He also reports an Inspection Fund of $268.86 and Triennial Fund of $1,062.94.

The Grand Recorder reports membership of 1,649, a gain for the year of 35.

The Committee on Credentials reported besides the Grand Officers present, ten Past Grand Commanders and the Grand Representatives of thirty-three sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom we find the representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, R.∴E.∴Sir and Rev. Laurence G. Moultrie.

At the election of officers Sir Frank White elected Grand Commander, E.∴Sir Walter L. Stockwell re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, occupying 107 pages, is by that distinguished and able writer, E.∴Sir Walter L. Stockwell. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is courteously and fully reviewed. While our review is, he says, without comment, he believes from the tone of it that we look with reasonable favor upon him, and we wish to assure him that we have the highest consideration, not only for him, but for all the fraters of North Dakota.

R.∴E.∴Sir Frank White, Valley City, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-eighth Annual Conclave will be held at Fargo, April, 1917.

Ohio, 1915

The ponderous volume opens with a Praeludium.

The Seventy-third Annual Conclave held in the city of Toledo, October 13 and 14, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present. The first business was an address of welcome by R.∴E.∴Sir Barton Smith, Past Grand

Commander, on behalf of the Masons and citizens of the city of Toledo.

It having been reported that R.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master, M.∴E.∴Sir William B. Melish, Past Grand Master, V.∴E.∴Sir Leonidas P. Newby, Grand Senior Warden, V.∴E.∴Sir William L. Sharp, Grand Sword Bearer, and V.∴E.∴ Sir George W. Vallery, Grand Warder, all of the Grand Encampment, were in waiting in an anteroom, a committee was appointed who ushered them into the asylum, and they were cordially and fraternally welcomed by R.∴E.∴Sir Nelson Williams, Grand Commander.

The Committee on Credentials reported, that besides the Grand Officers present, there were twenty Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies in attendance.

The first business after the appointment of committees was the address of Grand Commander Williams. He stated that the Grand Commandery was fortunate in having with them on this occasion many distinguished visiting fraters, some of whom had made great sacrifices of time to be with them. He pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions, and in mentioning Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment Arthur MacArthur we excerpt the following from the address:

"WHERE IS OUR GRAND MASTER?"

"Where is our Grand Master, why is he no longer here?"
"Where is our Grand Master," how familiar to the ear
Is the Craftmen's simple question as they in confusion wait
For one whose labors ended near the Temple's eastern gate.

"Where is our Grand Master," is the saddened fraters' cry;
"Where is our Grand Master," and a tear is in the eye
As the answer "He is missing" reaches the attentive ear
And we learn that, as we knew him, he will nevermore be here.

Where *is* our Grand Master, pray does anybody know?
Where is our Grand Master, if no longer here below?
While the answer "He is missing" gives all knowledge we possess,
Is there not a better answer in the faith that we profess?

Is there not an answer in the blood our Saviour shed?
Is there not an answer in the life our frater led?
If by their works ye know them, then surely all must know
That the life of our Grand Master ne'er ended here below.

What, then, is the answer? Hear it ringing from the sky;
From the Throne of Mercy; from Jehovah's courts on high;
Answered by the angels, as their gladsome voices swell,
And they shout to us from Heaven, "He is with Immanuel."

Our esteemed departed Past Grand Commanders R.∴E.∴Sir Nelson W. Aldrich and Charles C. Hutchinson are mentioned. In his recommendations was one that Recorders report without delay to the Grand Recorder the death of a Past Commander or officer of their Commandery, with such information as is required on the blanks in use for that purpose; second, the names of all Past Commanders of their Commanderies who have demitted therefrom; third, the names of all Past Commanders from other Ohio Commanderies who have affiliated with their Commanderies. Among his decisions was the following:

"The Eminent Commander of Eu Tah Commandery, U. D., asked the question 'Can a Commandery U. D. affiliate members on dimit?' and I was obliged to rule that it can.

"In the Grand Lodge, Grand Chapter and Grand Council of Ohio, it is clearly the law that bodies U. D. paying obedience to them respectively cannot affiliate members on dimit, and the Grand Recorder states that he knows of no case where it has been done by a Commandery U. D. in this jurisdiction.

"But Section 281 of the Statutes of the Grand Encampment provides that, except as otherwise provided, a Commandery under dispensation has the same rights and powers as a Chartered Commandery, and as the Grand Commandery of Ohio has no provision in regard to the matter the law of the Grand Encampment must prevail."

He also reported sixty special dispensations issued during the year to enable Commanderies to appear in public in uniform. In his Conclusion he pays fitting tribute to the assistance of the officers of Grand Commandery for wise counsel and advice. The address fully sets forth in a concise and readable manner

all the important transactions of his office during his incumbency.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find receipts with balance on hand, $32,307.00; disbursements, $14,991.25.

Grand Recorder Bell reports membership of 17,897, an increase for the year of 567.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir Robert T. Whitaker was elected Grand Commander, Sir John N. Bell re-elected Grand Recorder.

On motion of R.∴E.∴Sir Barton Smith, Past Grand Commander, V.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was elected an Honorary Member of Grand Commandery by rising vote.

The Committee on Charters and Dispensations recommended that a charter be granted to Eu Tah Commandery of Toledo, East Side.

E.∴Sir Knight and Rev. George P. Atwater, for the Committee on Obituaries, rendered the report on the knightly dead of the Grand Commandery.

The roll of Grand Representatives of sister Grand Commanderies being called, thirty-three were found to be present, but we do not find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, R.∴E.∴Sir Levi C. Goodale, among the number.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals had nothing to report, nothing having been presented to them for consideration.

The report on Correspondence is by that distinguished frater, the Grand Recorder, Sir John N. Bell, who reviews forty-seven jurisdictions in his usual able and finished manner. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is given two and one half pages of courteous review.

R.∴E.∴Sir Robert T. Whitaker, Defiance, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir John Nelson Bell, Dayton, Grand Recorder.

The Seventy-fourth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Tiffin, October 11, 1916.

Oklahoma, 1916

The Twenty-first Annual Conclave, held in Oklahoma City, April 21, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after the opening was the appointment of committees, followed by the address of Grand Commander R.∴E.∴Sir James A. Scott. He says that the peculiar situation has developed that neither the Grand Commandery of Indian Territory or Oklahoma Territory ever received a charter, and that the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma does not now have a charter. He recommends that steps be immediately taken to procure a charter for the Grand Commandery of Oklahoma.

Upon the roll of Grand Representatives being called thirty-two responded. We are pleased to note that R.∴E.∴Sir Ira B. Kirkland, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, was among the number.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand, $7,411.26; disbursements, $1,801.69.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership 2,644, a net gain for the year of 116.

Among the resolutions offered was the following:

"*Resolved*, That ten cents per capita be set aside each year from the Constituent Commandery returns as a permanent Emergency and Educational Fund, and that the R.∴E.∴Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, and Grand Generalissimo constitute a standing committee to dispense this fund, and that it be dispensed on order jointly signed by these three officers.

"*Be it further Resolved*, that this committee be limited in its expenditures to one hundred ($100.00) dollars per emergency without endorsement from the Grand Commandery."

At the election of officers Sir James Q. Louthan was elected Grand Commander, Sir George W. Spencer, re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, 127 pages, is by E.∴Sir Morella F. Cowden. Massachusetts and Rhode Island is omitted. In his Conclusion he says that he has endeavored as

best he could, and as he saw the light, to give those who might do him the honor to read what he had written, the things that would be most interesting and helpful. That he succeeded in his endeavor is most certainly evidenced by his report.

R.∴E.∴Sir James W. Louthan, Ponca City, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir George W. Spencer, Oklahoma City, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-second Annual Conclave to be held in Tulsa, Friday, April 20, 1917.

Oregon, 1915

The Twenty-ninth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Portland, September 23, 1915.

Grand Commandery convened in Masonic Temple, where, upon request of the R.∴E.∴Grand Commander, the officers and Drill Team of Washington Commandery, No. 15, of Portland, opened the Grand Commandery in full form, receiving and welcoming the Grand Commander and his staff through the lines.

Calling the roll all the Grand Officers were found to be present, with the exception of the Grand Warder. The Grand Commander announced there was also present at this conclave Sir Henry Russell Albee, mayor of the city, who being called upon addressed Grand Commandery briefly.

R.∴E.∴Sir Albert A. Jessup, representative of the M.∴E.∴ Grand Master of Knights Templar of the United States, was then received and cordially welcomed. R.∴E.∴Sir Jessup responded to his welcome in a most eloquent manner, his response occupying four pages of the Proceedings.

At the afternoon session the Committee on Credentials reported all the Grand Officers present, twelve Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of twenty-seven sister Grand Jurisdictions, Sir Ralph D. Robinson, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

R.∴E.∴Sir Dillon B. Grant then delivered his address, in which he states "it was the chivalry of Knighthood that shaped and developed the finer sensibilities of the mediæval ages and

became the forerunner of those sublime influences which are the honor and the glory of our present civilization and enlightenment, our gentility, our morality, our justice, and our charity." We excerpt the following:

"May that spirit live on forever! By it our personal obligations are quickened and broadened and our mutual rights respected and defended. To every Sir Knight it is a mentor for good and an incentive for civic and fraternal righteousness. To every frater it allures him, like a celestial light, to an upward and a better life and to the supreme satisfaction of being an honest man and a good citizen, ever observing the eternal principles of right, of fraternity and humanity."

The Grand Commander also stated he had visited thirteen of the seventeen Commanderies of the jurisdiction, which speaks well for his faithful service. We also quote a peculiar request for decision which he was called upon to make.

"A frater moved into this jurisdiction from the East. After being here a year he took out his dimits from his Blue Lodge, Chapter, and Commandery from where he formerly lived, and placed all of them at the same time with the several bodies for affiliation where he now lives in this jurisdiction. Committees in each case, on investigation, reported favorably. It so happened that the regular Chapter and Commandery meetings came before the Blue Lodge regular meeting. The Chapter and Commandery elected him to become a member by affiliation; then comes the regular Blue Lodge meeting, and this body rejected him. Now the question arises whether his election to the Commandery would hold good. I claimed it would so long as he made necessary effort to affiliate and keep his standing good.

"Section 189, Statutes of the Grand Encampment, reads as follows: 'Affiliation in Lodge or Chapter is essential to membership in a Commandery to the extent that voluntary nonaffiliation in Lodge or Chapter for six months shall deprive a Knight Templar of his membership in the Commandery.'

"In this case it was not voluntary nonaffiliation, and as I consider, his dimit would hold good so long as he made proper effort to affiliate in the Blue Lodge or keep his Grand Lodge dues paid up. He was entitled to membership, and so decided."

In concluding his address he pays fitting tribute to the worth of Grand Recorder Robinson.

One of the customs of this Grand Jurisdiction is the report of Grand Representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, and we are pleased to note our Grand Representative, Sir Ralph D. Robinson, was among the number who made reports.

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find that the total receipts with balance on hand was $6,138.45; disbursements, $1,465.45; balance on hand, $4,673.00.

The Grand Recorder reports that the total membership is 1,899, a net gain for the year of 85.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals reported that harmony and good will seemed to prevail throughout the entire jurisdiction and no matters of grievance had been brought to their attention.

At the election of officers Sir Louis G. Clarke was elected Grand Commander, Sir James F. Robinson re-elected Grand Recorder.

No report on Correspondence.

R.∴E.∴Sir Louis G. Clarke, Portland, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir James F. Robinson, Portland, Grand Recorder.

The Thirtieth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Corvallis on the fourth Thursday of September, 1916.

Pennsylvania, 1916

The Sixty-third Annual Conclave held in the city of Scranton, May 23 and 24, 1916.

The first business was the introduction to Grand Commandery of his Honor the Mayor of Scranton, Edward B. Jermyn, who welcomed the Sir Knights in a most cordial manner.

The Mayor having retired, Grand Commandery was opened by the Grand Commander, the Committee on Credentials reporting that all the Grand Officers were present, twelve Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of nineteen sister Grand Jurisdictions, but we fail to find our good friend R.∴E.∴ Sir James H. Codding, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, recorded as present.

The first business after opening was the reception of V.∴E.∴ Sir Lee S. Smith, Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of the United States who was royally received according to the honors due his exalted position.

Grand Commander Bradley W. Lewis then read his annual address, in which he reported many dispensations granted and one refused. Among his recommendations was one that each Commandery appear in full Templar uniform at least once a year, to attend religious services on the anniversaries of days observed by Templars, as such occasions are profitable both to Templars and others, and impress upon the world the religious character of our great Order. Referring to the death of R.∴E.∴ Sir George W. Kendrick, Jr., he said that not only Grand Commandery of Pennsylvania, but the world, is poorer today because of his death.

From the Grand Recorder's report we find membership 24,289, a net gain for the year of 594.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $18,659.54; disbursements, $12,620.83.

That the Order in the State of Pennsylvania is in good condition is evidenced by the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, who had no report to render.

At the election of officers Sir Andrew G. Williams was elected Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir William W. Allen, re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence, 141 pages, is by R.∴E.∴Sir Thomas F. Penman for the committee, and is all that could be desired. In the review he sets forth concisely all the important transactions of the jurisdictions under review. He has a kindly word for all the correspondents, your correspondent being among the number, for which he has our grateful acknowledgments. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two pages of courteous review.

R.∴E.∴Sir Andrew G. Williams, Butler, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir William W. Allen, Philadelphia, Grand Recorder.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Conclave to be held in Pittsburgh, Tuesday and Wednesday, May 22 and 23, 1917.

South Dakota, 1916

The Thirty-third Annual Conclave held in the city of Redfield, August 8, 9, and 10, 1916.

The volume opens with a splendid Bather portrait of W. D. Swain, Grand Commander, 1915–1916.

All the Grand Officers present at the opening of Grand Commandery.

Immediately prior to the formal opening, the lines were formed and a committee was appointed who retired and escorted into the asylum R.∴E.∴Sir William D. Todd, of Denver, Colorado, representative of M.∴E.∴Sir Lee S. Smith, Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was cordially received and tendered the command and asked to preside over Grand Commandery. Sir Todd courteously acknowledged the introduction and conveyed the greetings of the Grand Master, requesting the Grand Commander to resume command and resume the business of the session.

An address of welcome to the assembled Sir Knights was then delivered by R.∴E.∴Sir Z. A. Crain, Past Commander of Huston Commandery, No. 22, and immediately following an adjournment was made until two o'clock in the afternoon.

The Committee on Credentials reported besides the Grand Officers present seven Past Grand Commanders, eleven Past Commanders, and the Grand Representatives of seventeen sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The address of Grand Commander Swain followed, in which like many other Grand Commanders he pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. His dispensations were few in number, and he made only one decision, and that was in accordance with constitutional law. He made many visitations to subordinate Commanderies. At the conclusion of his address he said he had tried during the year to do his best, and extended to the officers and Sir Knights, one and all, his sincere thanks for loyal support and the many courtesies that had been shown him. He especially acknowledged indebtedness to Past Grand Commander John S. Vetter and Grand Recorder George A. Pettigrew for their counsel and help.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts with balance on hand, $4,607.36.

The Grand Recorder's report shows number of members 1,982, a net gain for the year of 74.

R.∴E.∴Sir William D. Todd addressed Grand Commandery and from same we excerpt the following:

> "I have a few thoughts as to my personal idea of Templarism and its teachings, to which I will give expression. It is not the mere conferring of the Orders, the wearing of an attractive uniform with a plumed chapeau, but a belief in its teachings and the practice thereof in our daily walks of life. If the teachings of Templarism have taken root in the hearts of those receiving the Orders, then each should be a better man in every respect, one whom the world should know to be an honorable man and a Christian gentleman, recognized as such in his daily conduct."

That the jurisdiction is in good condition is evidenced by the report of the Committee on Grievances, who report nothing had been presented to them for consideration.

The Committee on Templar Dead presented a report, which was accepted and ordered spread upon the records.

R.∴E.∴Sir John M. Stowe, Past Grand Commander of Minnesota, and R.∴E.∴Sir William D. Todd, Past Grand Commander of Colorado, were elected to Honorary Membership.

Upon calling the roll of Grand Representatives those present responded and each made report of the Grand Jurisdiction represented by him.

At the election of officers Sir Clarence B. Wilt was elected Grand Commander, Sir George A. Pettigrew re-elected Grand Recorder.

Under the head of Rituals a resolution was submitted and adopted as follows:

"*Resolved,* That from and after the close of the present Templar year, May 31, 1917, it shall be the duty of the Grand Recorder to assess a fine of twenty-five dollars against any Commandery of this jurisdiction for each Ritual not accounted for as in the actual possession of the Commandery, and shown to be so upon the receipt of the Commander attested by the Recorder; such fine to be paid in the manner and at the time provided for the payment of dues and fees, provided such fine shall not be assessed for any Ritual proven to have been wholly destroyed."

The report on Correspondence by E.∴ Sir Charles L. Brockway is a review of forty-three Grand Jurisdictions, in his usual courteous and thorough manner. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives a page and a half, in which he says that "in the old and staid jurisdiction things have become fixed, and the events of each year are to a large extent habitual, but the records seem to show clearly that the habits formed are all good ones."

R.∴ E.∴ Sir Clarence B. Wilt, Mitchell, Grand Commander.

R.∴ E.∴ Sir George A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, Grand Recorder.

The Thirty-fourth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of Aberdeen, August 14, 15, 16, 1917.

Tennessee, 1916

The Forty-fourth Annual Conclave, held in the Masonic Temple at Clarksville, May 8, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, two Past Grand Commanders.

In the address of Grand Commander Hamilton F. Shoun he says,

"Uninterrupted progress and a healthy growth have marked the history of our Order in this Grand Jurisdiction during the past year, and we have every reason to be satisfied with the present condition of the affairs of the Order in the State of Tennessee."

He reported granting a dispensation for a new Commandery at Johnson City, to be known as Watauga Commandery, No. 25, and that the Commandery starts under most favorable auspices, with every prospect of becoming one of the most efficient Commanderies in Tennessee. His dispensations as granted were all for constitutional purposes. He refused but one dispensation, and that in accordance with constitutional law.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts with balance on hand of $3,866.04; disbursements, $4,721.98.

The report of the Grand Recorder is preceded by a splendid half-tone portrait of Sir Stith M. Cain, the Grand Recorder, and it is a striking likeness of that distinguished frater. He reports the total number of Sir Knights 1,992, a net gain for the year of 86.

From the report of the Committee on Credentials we note that there were present besides the Grand Officers and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies, twenty-eight representatives of sister Grand Jurisdictions, Sir George L. Cowan, representing this Grand Commandery, being among the number.

The Committee on Necrology rendered fitting tribute to the distinguished fraters of their own and sister Grand Jurisdictions who had died during the year.

At the election of officers Sir James N. Thompson was elected Grand Commander, Sir Stith M. Cain re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence, by Sir J. Leonard Wood, Chairman, occupies eighty-six pages of the Proceedings, in which he reviews forty-four Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number, two pages being devoted to same. He calls our report "strictly a review of the work of each jurisdiction."

R.∴ E.∴ Sir James N. Thompson, Memphis, Grand Commander.

E.∴ Sir Stith M. Cain, Nashville, Grand Recorder.

The Forty-fifth Annual Conclave to be held in Lebanon, June, 1917, the date to be determined by the Grand Commander.

Texas, 1916

The Sixty-third Annual Conclave was opened in the city of Dallas, April 26 and 27, 1916.

Public religious services in the First Presbyterian Church preceded the assembling of the Sir Knights in annual conclave.

Grand Commandery was opened in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, all the Grand Officers present, except the Grand Commander; twelve Past Grand Commanders.

The first business was the reception of distinguished visitors, among whom was M.∴E.∴Sir Henry B. Stoddard, Past Grand Master of the Grand Encampment. R.∴E.∴Sir George W. Tyler, Past Grand Commander, with an escort was sent to the apartments of M.∴E.∴Sir Stoddard and accompanied the distinguished guest to the asylum, where he was cordially welcomed.

Following the appointment of committees, Deputy and Acting Grand Commander Guy W. Junker presented the annual address of R.∴E.∴Sir William G. Newby, who through illness was unable to preside at the conclave. That his term of office was a busy one is evidenced by the matters detailed in the address.

The Grand Treasurer reported balance on hand with receipts, $10,742.02; disbursements, $7,803.24.

From the report of the Grand Recorder we find the whole number of members January, 1916, 6,576, a net gain for the year of 23.

The roll of Grand Representatives having been called, all present responded, among whom was Sir John C. Kidd representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island. At the election of Grand Officers, Sir Guy W. Junker was elected Grand Commander, Sir John C. Kidd re-elected Grand Recorder.

The Grand Commander was authorized upon proper application being made to him to grant dispensations for Commanderies to be located at Beeville and Yoakum, regardless of statutory distance, if in his judgment the best interests of Templar Masonry would be subserved thereby.

Our good friend John C. Kidd, Grand Recorder, in his report prints everything of interest, not only to his own jurisdiction, but for other jurisdictions.

The report on Correspondence, 175 pages of the Proceedings, is by Sir John C. Kidd, Grand Recorder. Like all other reviews emanating from his pen, it contains a vast matter of interest to all who may read it. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives four pages of courteous review, and as usual he makes many comments and suggestions.

R.∴E.∴Sir Guy W. Junker, Beaumont, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir John C. Kidd, Houston, Grand Recorder.

The Sixty-fourth Annual Conclave will be held in the city of San Antonio, beginning April 18, 1917.

Utah, 1916

The Seventh Annual Conclave held in the city of Salt Lake, May 9, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, five Past Grand Commanders.

Following the appointment of committees Grand Commander Charles F. Jennings delivered his address. He, like many others, pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. His dispensations were few in number. The report was mostly of a local nature.

Upon calling the roll of representatives of sister Grand Commanderies, all present were invited before the East and cordially welcomed by the Grand Commander.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand of $1,290.67; disbursements, $486.84.

At the election of officers Sir Knight John M. Forristall was elected Grand Commander, Sir William A. Raddon re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence by R.∴E.∴Sir Jacob H. Epperson occupies forty-three pages of the Proceedings. He reviews the various sister Grand Jurisdictions, Massachusetts and Rhode Island receiving a page of courteous review. He refers to the report of your Correspondent as "a good report."

The Eighth Annual Conclave will be held in the Masonic Temple, Ogden, Tuesday, May 8, 1917.

Vermont, 1916

The Seventy-fourth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Burlington, Tuesday, June 13, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present, six Past Grand Commanders, two Past Deputy Commanders, one Past Generalissimo, one Past Grand Captain General, and the representatives of twenty-three sister Grand Jurisdictions, Sir George H. Gorham, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

The first business was the annual address of R.∴E.∴Sir Edward L. Bates, Grand Commander. He pays a glowing tribute to the memory and worth of R.∴E.∴Sir Marsh O. Perkins. On condition of the Order he reported that the membership was steadily increasing in numbers and that the personnel of the officers of the separate Commanderies was of a most gratifying character; that there was no friction within the ranks, and peace and harmony and good will prevailed. We note he granted several dispensations for Commanderies to appear and parade in public with music and banners on occasions not Masonic, viz.: observance of Memorial Day by Post of the G. A. R., etc. He also stated there had been contributed by the Commanderies of the jurisdiction for the Masonic War Relief Fund the sum of $332.

The report of the Grand Recorder shows the present membership 2,818, a net gain for the year of 21.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $2,621.46; disbursements, $1,727.29.

The Committee on Grievances reported that no business had been presented to them for consideration, which speaks well for the condition of the Commanderies in the jurisdiction.

At the election of officers Sir Frank B. Putnam was elected Grand Commander, E.∴Sir Henry H. Ross, re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by that distinguished frater, Kittredge Haskins, Past Grand Commander, who devotes eighty-two pages to the same. In his Foreword he pays a glowing tribute to the memory and worth of that dearly beloved frater, Marsh O. Perkins, who for many years wrote the correspondence report for Vermont. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two pages of courteous review, and he failed to find anything in our Proceedings calling for comment.

R.∴E.∴Sir Frank B. Putnam, Brattleboro, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Henry H. Ross, Burlington, Grand Recorder.

The Seventy-fifth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Burlington the twelfth day of June, 1917.

Virginia, 1915

The Ninety-third Annual Conclave held in the city of Richmond, October 28, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present, fourteen Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies. Grand Representatives of nineteen sister Grand Jurisdictions were present, R.∴E.∴Sir A. W. Traylor, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island, being among the number.

The first business after the opening was the reception of distinguished visitors. Past Grand Commander George W. Kendrick, Jr., of Pennsylvania, representing the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, was ushered into the asylum, where he was cordially welcomed by the Grand Commander.

Grand Commander Robert F. Taylor delivered his annual address, which contains a thorough review of the transactions of his office during the year. One of his recommendations was that the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated to the Masonic War Relief Association. He also recommended the salary of the Deputy Grand Commander be $150 per year; also that the salary of the Grand Treasurer be fixed at $100 per year; that the Grand Commandery have published a digest or code of Templar law readily understood, for distribution among the Commanderies of the jurisdiction; that a law be enacted prohibiting a Knight Templar of that jurisdiction from

selling or otherwise disposing of his uniform; that pressure be brought to bear upon subordinate Commanderies to open their Commanderies in full form.

The Grand Recorder's report shows membership of 3,579, a net gain for the year of 120.

The Grand Treasurer's report shows receipts with balance on hand, $4,969.65; disbursements, $4,363.03; balance on hand, $606.62; also a Triennial Fund of $1,415.94.

At the election of officers Sir Joseph T. Houck was elected Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir James B. Blanks re-elected Grand Recorder.

At the afternoon session the representatives of nineteen Sister Grand Jurisdictions (among whom we note R.∴E.∴Sir A. W. Traylor, representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island) were introduced and cordially welcomed by the Grand Commander.

The report on Fraternal Correspondence, E.∴Sir J. Gus Hankins, correspondent, stated that his appointment as Chairman of the Committee was too late to prepare reviews of the reports for the past year, so no report appears in the Proceedings.

R.∴E.∴Sir Joseph T. Houck, Harrisburg, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir James B. Blanks, Petersburg, Grand Recorder.

The Ninety-fourth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Richmond on the twenty-sixth day of October, 1916.

Washington, 1915

The Twenty-eighth Annual Conclave, held at Vancouver, September 23 and 24, 1915.

The first business after the opening was the reception of the representative of the Acting Grand Master, R.∴E.∴Sir Curtis B. Winn, Past Grand Commander of Oregon. He was most cordially received and made an eloquent response.

The Committee on Credentials reported all the Grand Officers present, five Past Grand Commanders and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies.

Grand Commander R.∴E.∴Sir Harry A. Raser then delivered

his annual address. His dispensations were four in number and his decisions in accordance with constitutional law. The address, with General Orders and other matters, occupies many pages of the Proceedings, but is mostly of a local nature.

The Grand Treasurer reports receipts with balance on hand, $7,103.13; disbursements, $2,519.95.

The Grand Recorder reports membership of 2,499, a net gain for the year of 24.

The report on Necrology is by the Grand Prelate, and is an able and painstaking document, the honored dead of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, R.∴E.∴Sir Nelson W. Aldrich and R.∴E.∴Sir Charles C. Hutchinson, Past Grand Commanders, receiving due tribute.

That the condition of the jurisdiction is excellent is evidenced by the Committee on Grievances, who report nothing had been presented to them for examination.

At the election of Grand Officers Sir John C. Minton was elected Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir Yancey C. Blalock re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report on Correspondence is by R.∴E.∴Sir Yancey C. Blalock for the committee, occupying 132 pages of the Proceedings. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives a page of courteous review. Like former reviews from this Grand Jurisdiction it is a faithful resumé of the doings of the various Grand Jurisdictions.

R.∴E.∴Sir John C. Minton, Bellingham, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir Yancey C. Blalock, Walla Walla, Grand Recorder.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Conclave will be held in North Yakima, September 14 and 15, 1916.

West Virginia, 1916

The Forty-second Annual Conclave held in the city of Clarksburg, Wednesday and Thursday, May 17 and 18, 1916.

The volume opens with a half-tone of R.∴E.∴Sir Luther B. Blaney, the newly elected Grand Commander.

All the Grand Officers present, fourteen Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of thirty-three sister Grand

Jurisdictions. The representative of Massachusetts and Rhode Island not among the number. At the completion of the roll call the Grand Representatives were wlecomed by Past Commander John M. Collins, of Kanawha Commandery, No. 4; in behalf of the Grand Representatives Past Grand Commander Lewis N. Tavenner responded.

Grand Commander Luther H. Clark's address followed. Under the head of "Uniforms" we excerpt the following:

"With regard to the recommendation contained in my report last year, and the resolutions offered by E. Sir Thomas C. Bowling and R.∴E.∴Lewis N. Tavenner, I desire to urge this Grand Commandery to adopt these resolutions. My observation during the past year further emphasizes the necessity for some regulation upon the subject of uniforms. In some Commanderies a great many Sir Knights have never purchased a uniform, or if they have, they have become too small or are worn out. For the life of me I cannot understand why a man should want these degrees and, after receiving them, not own a uniform. The lack of a uniform detracts not only from the beauty of our appearance, but we all know how it detracts from the dignity of the Order to have a number of members present without uniforms at our conclave. It also deprives the members of many of the pleasures of the Order, such as parades at our Annual Conclave, and they are also denied participation in many of the solemn duties of the Order, as the burial of our Templar dead. When a man petitions the Commandery he should be prepared to pay the necessary expenses, and if he does not do so, takes an undue advantage. I sincerely hope you will adopt these resolutions."

He also recommended the granting of a dispensation for a new Commandery to be located at Mount Hope, and also reported he had granted a dispensation to form and open a Commandery at Keyser, to be known as Damascus Commandery. His dispensations were all for constitutional purposes. Under the head of "Decisions" we excerpt:

"I do not believe a fatigue coat is necessary to complete the Knight Templar uniform. The black military coat with cross on the sleeves and black trousers, with baldrick, sword and belt, buff gloves, chapeau and cap, as prescribed by this Grand

Commandery, are, in my opinion all that is necessary, as the fatigue coat is not used in conferring degrees of the Order and appears to be more of a luxury than a necessity."

Regarding the authority of Commanderies under dispensation to receive applications for membership accompanied by dimit, he replied as follows:

"In my opinion a Commandery under dispensation could not affiliate members. Later, however, my attention was called to an interpretation of this question by Grand Master William B. Melish, wherein he says that Commanderies under dispensation have a right to affiliate members. See Decision No. 16, page 53, Proceedings of 1913. I thereupon rescinded my former decision and permitted them to affiliate members, although I am still of the opinion they have no right to do so, Grand Master Melish to the contrary notwithstanding, although his opinion was confirmed by the Committee on Jurisprudence of the Grand Encampment."

From the Grand Treasurer's report we find receipts with balance on hand, $7,873.03; disbursements, $3,664.84.

The Grand Recorder reports the total membership 4,313, a net increase for the year of 233.

The election of officers resulted in Sir Luther W. Blaney elected Grand Commander, Sir Francis E. Nichols re-elected Grand Recorder.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Charters and Dispensations a dispensation was granted to Mount Hope Commandery, No. 22, and the dispensation of Damascus Commandery, U.D., continued another year.

No report on Correspondence.

R.∴E.∴Sir Luther W. Blaney, Wheeling, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir Francis E. Nichols, Fairmont, Grand Recorder.

The Forty-third Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Martinsburg on the third Wednesday in May, 1917.

Wisconsin, 1915

The Fifty-seventh Annual Conclave was convened in the auditorium of the Scottish Rite Cathedral, in the city of Milwaukee, October 12, 1915.

All the Grand Officers present. The first business after the opening was the reception of R.∴E.∴Sir Sylvester O. Spring, Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Illinois and the special representative of the Acting Grand Master of the Grand Encampment, who was formally welcomed and escorted to the East.

After the appointment of committees, R.∴E.∴Sir Robert B. Lang, Grand Commander, delivered his annual address. Like other Grand Commanders he pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. His dispensations were three in number and for constitutional purposes. He reported he had made no decisions and not a single grievance had been presented; peace and harmony prevailed throughout the jurisdiction.

The report of the Grand Recorder showed membership of 5,508, a net gain for the year of 289.

Application was received from petitioners for a dispensation for a Commandery at Neenah, which was referred to the Committee on Charters and Dispensations.

The report of the Grand Treasurer shows receipts with balance on hand of $13,215.86; disbursements, $10,395.26.

The report of the Committee on Credentials showed all the Grand Officers present, nine Past Grand Commanders, and the representatives of twenty-one sister Grand Jurisdictions, among whom we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

The Committee on Templar Jurisprudence, to whom was referred the resolution authorizing the Grand Commandery to grant dispensation to constituent Commanderies to confer the Order upon candidates in Masonic Temples and halls outside of its own asylum, but within the jurisdiction of such Commandery, reported that it was in conflict with paragraph 2 of Section 11 of Article III of the Constitution, and recommended that it be not adopted.

At the election of officers Sir Knight Charles F. Lamb was elected Grand Commander, Sir William W. Perry re-elected Grand Recorder.

Upon learning that V.∴E.∴David H. Wright, Past Deputy

Grand Commander, the only living charter member of the Grand Commandery and a regular attendant for fifty years, was unable to be present on account of illness, the Grand Commandery voted to send him their sincere sympathy and assurances that he had their prayers for his complete restoration to health. The Grand Recorder was instructed to forward him a copy of the resolutions.

The balance of the Proceedings were of a local nature.

The report on Correspondence is by E.∴Sir Rodman W. Bosworth, who devotes 109 pages to the same. It is a well-written, comprehensive report of all the Proceedings. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives courteous review of four pages. His remarks are complimentary to your correspondent, perhaps more so than he deserves.

R.∴E.∴Sir Charles F. Lamb, Madison, Grand Commander.

E.∴Sir William W. Perry, Milwaukee, Grand Recorder.

The Fifty-eighth Annual Conclave to be held in the city of Milwaukee on Tuesday, October 10, 1916.

Wyoming, 1916

The Twenty-ninth Annual Conclave, held in the city of Casper, March 8, 1916.

All the Grand Officers present.

The first business after opening was the reception of distinguished visitors, who were received and cordially welcomed.

The Committee on Credentials reported that besides the Grand Officers and the representatives of the constituent Commanderies, there were present the Grand Representatives of fifteen sister Grand Jurisdictions, but we fail to find the Sir Knight representing Massachusetts and Rhode Island among the number.

The Grand Representatives present were then introduced and cordially welcomed by the Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir Jacob F. Hoop, Grand Commander, then delivered his annual address. He pays fitting tribute to the departed fraters of his own and sister Grand Jurisdictions. He issued but one dispensation during the year, for the purpose of ballot-

ing upon the petition of Companion Frederick C. Hank, son of the Commander of Mt. Lebanon Commandery, U.D., at a special communication of said Commandery. Commander Hank had expressed a desire to know that his son was a Knight Templar before he died, he being then in declining health, over eighty years of age, and realizing that he had but a few more days to live. Grand Commander Hoop stated that at the time he granted the dispensation it did not occur to him it was in violation of the Constitution of the Grand Encampment. He had in mind only a desire to appease the mind of a worthy Sir Knight whose days on earth were of short duration, and that it was a mistake of the head and not of the heart, but was made in a good cause. He also reported the constituting of Malta Commandery, No. 10, at Rock Springs, under their charter. He granted a dispensation for a new Commandery to be known as Mt. Lebanon Commandery, and that the dispensation was issued to the petitioners, and on October 15th the Commandery was organized and is now working under dispensation. He also recommended that Grand Commandery take action looking toward the preservation and safekeeping of the rituals of constituent Commanderies. Also that a suitable sum be set aside to defray the expenses of the Grand Commander in his official visits. That a sum of money be set aside to purchase a jewel for the incoming Grand Commander and a committee be appointed to procure the same.

The Grand Treasurer reported receipts with balance on hand $2,074.07; disbursements, $1,189.25.

The Grand Recorder's statistical table shows membership 718 Sir Knights, a net gain for the year of 33.

Sir Knight Robert I. Turner was elected Grand Commander, R.∴E.∴Sir Adrian J. Parshall re-elected Grand Recorder.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by R.∴E.∴ Sir Adrian J. Parshall, 120 pages of splendid review. Massachusetts and Rhode Island receives two pages. He says that in reporting Massachusetts and Rhode Island he is inclined to follow our example relative to comment.

R.∴E.∴Sir Robert I. Turner, Rawlins, Grand Commander.

R.∴E.∴Sir Adrian J. Parshall, Cheyenne, Grand Recorder.

The Thirtieth Annual Conclave will be held at Sheridan, March 14, 1917.

Grand Encampment, 1916

The Thirty-third Triennial Conclave, held in the city of Los Angeles, California, commencing June 20, 1916.

Among the legislation considered and acted upon by Grand Encampment was the following:

Section 115 of Article XVI of the Constitution was amended to read as follows:

The rule of succession in conferring the Orders shall be as follows: 1, Order of the Red Cross; 2, Order of Malta; 3, Order of the Temple. The Order of Malta may be conferred either in full or short form.

The Rituals are to be revised to conform to the above and are to be promulgated on or about January 1, 1917.

Section 73 of Article XV was amended in effect as follows: In a city or territory where two or more Commanderies have concurrent jurisdiction, the Grand Commandery may require the consent of all of them for the formation of a new Commandery.

Sections 210, 211, and 212 were amended to permit Grand Commanderies to determine whether nominations may be made at election of officers in either Grand or Subordinate Bodies. When only one name is in nomination election may be by acclamation; otherwise it shall be by ballot. A majority is necessary to an election and blank votes are not to be considered.

Section 223 was amended to provide that a member of a Grand Commandery forfeits all rights of membership during any period of nonaffiliation.

Section 187 was amended to provide as follows:

"If a Knight wishes to change his membership and be continuously affiliated, he may file his petition with the Commandery in which he desires membership, and with it a certificate of good standing, under seal from the Recorder of the Commandery of which he is a member, showing that his dues have been paid three months in advance, also a written application to this Commandery for a dimit. If elected to membership in the Commandery petitioned, the Recorder thereof shall immediately forward said application for a dimit to the Knight's Commandery, and when the dimit is received shall file it with

the petition and enter the Knight's name as a member of the Commandery petitioned, as of even date with the certificate of dimit. If the petitioner be rejected the receipt for dues and application shall be returned to him."

The proposed amendment to make the Council degrees prerequisite to the Orders of Knighthood were not considered at this Triennial, but were deferred until 1919.

A majority of the committee presented a report on Honorary and Official Titles, which was adopted as follows:

The honorary title "Eminent" applies to "Sir John Doe" personally in his individual capacity, and is to be used only by others in speaking to or of him in that capacity.

The official title "Commander" applies to "Sir John Doe" as an officer in his official capacity, is to be used by others only in addressing, speaking to or of him in that capacity, and by himself only in signing his official documents.

The honorary title "Eminent" honors, compliments, confers dignity, eminence, and distinction on the officer or official personally, whose name, or a fitting substitute, immediately follows it. Such substitute may be "Knight," "Brother Knight," or the like.

The official title is the designation of the officer or official in his official capacity.

The honorary title "Eminent" and the official title "Commander" apply to the same individual Knight Templar who is the officer or official.

The attributive adjective "Eminent" specifically qualifies and describes him personally in his individual capacity, while the appositive noun "Commander" qualifies and describes him in his official capacity.

The official title "Commander" does not, *per se*, denote or describe an "office" or "official station," but the officer or official — the "Commander," whose name immediately precedes it.

The chief purpose and main use of all official titles, as designated in the Constitution, is simply that of address and signature; they, with nothing else, are the proper forms of address, in their official capacities or relations, of all officers from Grand Master down to the Warder of the Commandery. When engaged in the performance of their official duties they should be addressed simply by their official titles without any prefixes of any name or nature. The honorary and official titles of an

officer should never be combined into one form of address without his name between them. The honorary title never, under any circumstances, applies to, qualifies, or describes the official title. This is unmistakably the meaning of the Constitution and Statutes of 1910.

The Committee on Nomenclature had submitted to it the question: "Which form of address is the correct one in addressing a Knight Templar or a member of the Order of the Temple — Sir John Doe, or Sir Knight John Doe?" The Grand Encampment accepted the report of the majority of the committee unanimously, that the title "Sir" should never be used with the surname, but either with the Christian name or the full name. It was also declared to be allowable, in addressing a Knight without using his name, or a group or assembly of Knights as "Brother Knights."

The report of a minority of the committee was adopted by the conclave, which declares that the word "demit" is the correct form both as a noun and as a verb, to express both the resignation of a member from his Commandery and the certificate which issues to him.

We are pleased to note that among the appointments of the Grand Master was that of R.∴E.∴Sir Frank L. Nagle, of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, who was appointed Most Eminent Grand Sword Bearer.

The Thirty-fourth Triennial Conclave to be held in the city of Philadelphia in September, 1919.

CONCLUSION

In writing the closing paragraphs of this review we are conscious of the quiet, harmonious, and, we may say, generally prosperous condition of the Order.

No real contention or discord has been apparent in any of the reports. The Proceedings, generally, show merely routine work.

The Order of Christian Knighthood to which we owe allegiance rests upon the foundation of the Christian religion. No institution works ideally, and we may not claim that the Templar body measures up to the full limit of its principles or its possibilities. Its adjustment is not perfect. The environment by which it is affected is not altogether favorable; but with all its defects and shortcomings it is a mighty force on the

side of truth and righteousness. Its career has been wonderful, as out of weakness in the beginning it has moved forward to its present position of honor and influence. It is more potent in numbers and resources at this time than in any previous period of its history. It has an effective working organization, a beautiful and impressive ritual, wise and noble leaders; and may we not add that it has a following of earnest and true men, who, as they bear aloft its banners, are together animated by the purpose to make the Order a more efficient agent in the service of man — for the glory of God!

So long as Templar asylums are filled by worthy men the progress of the Order is assured.

"The world wants men, large-hearted, manly men:
Men who will join the chorus and prolong
The psalm of labor and the song of love.
The times want heroes:
Heroes who shall struggle in the solid ranks of truth.
The age wants scholars:
Scholars who shall shape the doubtful question of dubious years
And lead the ark that bears our Country's good
Safe to some peaceful Ararat at last."

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